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LABOR MARKET REVIEW

TEXAS EMPLOYMENT COMMISSION OCTOBER 1991 AUSTIN, TX

JOB GROWTH REFLECTED IN GOVERNMENT UPSWING

Texas Unemployment Rate Edges Up

The Texas actual (not seasonally adjusted) unemployment rate increased slightly from 6.3 percent in August to 6.4 percent in September. The current rate was above the September 1990 rate of 6.2 percent. The number of jobless Texans rose by 5,900 from August to an estimated 546,600 in mid-September. Total employment declined over the month, with the current estimate of 7,978,200 just above the year-ago level. Seasonal factors played the main role in the employment decline because September follows the peak summer period of employment.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate also rose slightly over the month, from 6.5 percent in August to 6.6 percent in September. The seasonally adjusted U. S. jobless rate fell one-tenth of a percent over the month to 6.7 percent. The actual U. S. rate fell from 6.5 in August to 6.4 percent in September.

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs Increase Seasonally

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment in Texas totaled 7,135,800 in September '91, which represented a growth of 42,000 jobs over the month. The over-the-year change was a gain of 74,400.

Total **Nonmanufacturing** rose by 45,800 from August. At 6,159,600, this was up 85,900 over the year. Although nearly all major Nonmanufacturing sectors fell over the month, a substantial rise in **Government** caused an overall growth from August. Total Government, at 1,302,700, was up 57,600 over the month, and up 33,300 over the year. State and Local Government showed this increase, due mostly to the completion of hiring for the fall school term. State Government increased by 9,600, while Local Government was up by 49,000. Federal Government experienced a significant drop due to internal restructuring taking place within the defense portion.

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Sept.'91	Aug. '91	Sept.'90
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	125,405.0	126,096.0	124,779.0
Unemployment	8,070.0	8,237.0	6,818.0
Percent Unemployed	**6.4%**	**6.5%**	**5.5%**
Total Employment	117,335.0	117,859.0	117,961.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	125,607.0	124,904.0	124,970.0
Unemployment	8,442.0	8,488.0	7,087.0
Percent Unemployed	**6.7%**	**6.8%**	**5.7%**
Total Employment	117,165.0	116,416.0	117,883.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,524.8	8,545.2	8,490.7
Unemployment	546.6	540.7	525.6
Percent Unemployed	**6.4%**	**6.3%**	**6.2%**
Total Employment	7,978.2	8,004.5	7,965.1
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,515.0	8,467.0	8,474.0
Unemployment	559.0	547.0	534.0
Percent Unemployed	**6.6%**	**6.5%**	**6.3%**
Total Employment	7,956.0	7,920.0	7,940.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Sept.'91*	Aug.'91**	Sept.'90**	Sept.'91*	Aug.'91**	Sept.'90**	Sept.'91*	Aug.'91**	Sept.'90**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	50,800	49,300	51,300	95,500	95,900	97,100	444,900	436,500	442,500
Total Unemployment	3,400	2,700	3,300	4,600	4,600	5,000	20,900	21,000	20,900
Percent Unemployed	6.7%	5.5%	6.4%	4.8%	4.8%	5.1%	4.7%	4.8%	4.7%
Total Employment ++	47,400	46,600	48,000	90,900	91,300	92,100	424,000	415,500	421,600
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	172,700	172,800	167,200	89,700	89,700	87,700	106,100	108,700	104,400
Total Unemployment	12,700	13,200	12,300	4,900	5,000	5,000	12,300	12,900	12,000
Percent Unemployed	7.4%	7.6%	7.4%	5.5%	5.6%	5.7%	11.6%	11.9%	11.5%
Total Employment ++	160,000	159,600	154,900	84,800	84,700	82,700	93,800	95,800	92,400
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	61,000	59,700	62,200	168,500	170,600	165,300	1,443.7	1,448.2	1,440.6
Total Unemployment	2,200	2,000	2,200	13,000	13,000	11,700	86.8	84.4	77.5
Percent Unemployed	3.6%	3.4%	3.5%	7.7%	7.6%	7.1%	6.0%	5.8%	5.4%
Total Employment ++	58,800	57,700	60,000	155,500	157,600	153,600	1,356.9	1,363.8	1,363.1
		EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
Total Civilian Labor Force	251,700	252,800	252,500	738,500	742,700	738,400	110,900	112,400	110,500
Total Unemployment	25,600	25,500	27,800	47,600	48,000	38,000	7,200	7,600	8,100
Percent Unemployed	10.2%	10.1%	11.0%	6.4%	6.5%	5.1%	6.5%	6.8%	7.3%
Total Employment ++	226,100	227,300	224,700	690,900	694,700	700,400	103,700	104,800	102,400
		HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,759.4	1,769.4	1,744.9	96,800	97,400	97,200	51,700	51,700	52,800
Total Unemployment	100.8	99.1	95.3	6,500	6,300	6,900	4,200	4,100	4,900
Percent Unemployed	5.7%	5.6%	5.5%	6.7%	6.5%	7.1%	8.1%	7.9%	9.3%
Total Employment ++	1,658.6	1,670.3	1,649.6	90,300	91,100	90,300	47,500	47,600	47,900
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION	
Total Civilian Labor Force	78,400	79,000	79,800	115,000	115,900	116,400	154,600	152,800	156,900
Total Unemployment	6,000	6,100	5,700	6,200	6,600	5,800	24,900	23,200	26,800
Percent Unemployed	7.7%	7.7%	7.1%	5.4%	5.7%	5.0%	16.1%	15.2%	17.1%
Total Employment ++	72,400	72,900	74,100	108,800	109,300	110,600	129,700	129,600	130,100
		MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	48,200	48,700	47,700	53,000	53,300	51,200	43,900	43,000	43,900
Total Unemployment	2,600	2,800	2,700	3,600	3,600	3,000	2,400	2,300	2,500
Percent Unemployed	5.4%	5.7%	5.7%	6.8%	6.8%	5.9%	5.5%	5.3%	5.7%
Total Employment ++	45,600	45,900	45,000	49,400	49,700	48,200	41,500	40,700	41,400
		SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
Total Civilian Labor Force	602,100	601,700	606,600	47,100	47,100	47,400	56,300	56,600	56,700
Total Unemployment	37,500	38,000	43,300	2,900	2,900	2,500	4,300	4,400	3,500
Percent Unemployed	6.2%	6.3%	7.1%	6.2%	6.2%	5.3%	7.6%	7.8%	6.2%
Total Employment ++	564,600	563,700	563,300	44,200	44,200	44,900	52,000	52,200	53,200
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	74,000	74,100	74,600	36,800	36,700	35,700	92,600	91,700	93,700
Total Unemployment	4,700	4,600	4,900	1,800	1,800	1,800	5,700	5,900	5,700
Percent Unemployed	6.4%	6.2%	6.6%	4.9%	4.9%	5.0%	6.2%	6.4%	6.1%
Total Employment ++	69,300	69,500	69,700	35,000	34,900	33,900	86,900	85,800	88,000
		WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	54,800	55,100	55,200				8,524.8	8,545.2	8,490.7
Total Unemployment	3,500	3,600	3,600				546.6	540.7	525.6
Percent Unemployed	6.4%	6.5%	6.5%				6.4%	6.3%	6.2%
Total Employment ++	51,300	51,500	51,600				7,978.2	8,004.5	7,965.1

✚ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

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Manufacturing's largest decrease occurred in **Wholesale and Retail Trade**, down 3,800 from August. At 1,718,000, this was up 5,700 from September '90. Wholesale Trade decreased by 1,300, while Retail Trade was down by 2,500. The only gains in Retail occurred in General Merchandise Stores, up by 1,500, and in Food Stores, up by 600. The largest losses in Retail Trade, both seasonal in nature, were seen in Apparel and Accessory Stores, down by 1,900, and in Eating and Drinking Places, down by 1,800. These losses were due to temporary employees and students leaving their summer jobs.

Mining showed a loss of 2,900 over the month, and of 2,300 over the year. While Metal and Coal and Nonmetalic Minerals, Except Fuel decreased by 200, Oil and Gas Extraction lost 2,700 jobs, signaling a sharp decline in drilling activity.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate declined by 2,000 from August. At 427,500, this was also down by 1,600 over the year. The shutdown or merger of a number of national commercial banks produced a loss of 800 in Depository Institutions, Including Banks. Other Finance, Insurance and Real Estate decreased by 1,200.

Services lost 1,600 over the month. At 1,751,600, this was up by 35,300 from a year ago. The largest loss in Services was found in Other Service and Miscellaneous, down by 3,500 from August. Civic, Social and Fraternal Associations reported the bulk of this decline as seasonal activities closed. Other significant seasonal losses occurred in Amusement, Including Motion Pictures, down by 1,100, and in Hotels and Other Lodging Places, down by 1,000, as the summer months' activities started winding down. The largest increase in Services occurred in Health Services. Medical and Dental Labs and Home Health Care Services showed a considerable increase with several new facilities added throughout the State. Educational Services also had a significant increase of 1,800 due to part-time faculty hiring.

Transportation and Public Utilities dropped 1,300 jobs from August to September. At 435,300, this was above the year-ago figure by 7,300. Other Transportation represented the largest loss in the Transportation sector, losing 800 jobs over the month. All other segments of Transportation also fell, except Railroad Transportation, which remained the same from August to September.

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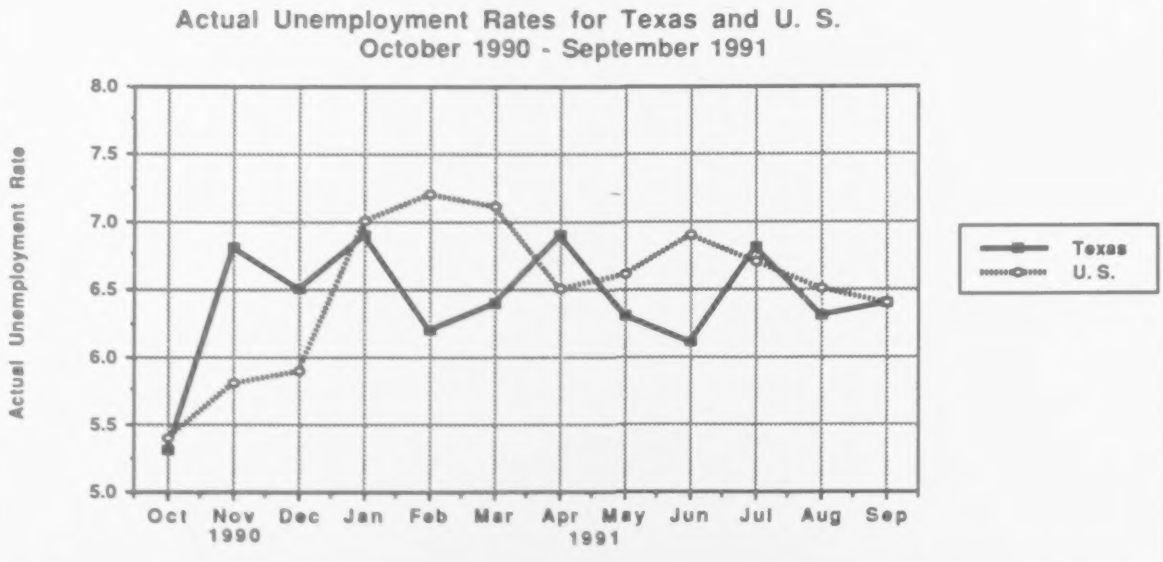

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	SEPT. '91*	AUG. '91**	SEPT. '90**	Chg. from AUG. '91	Chg. from SEPT. '90
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,135,800**	**7,093,800**	**7,061,400**	**42,000**	**74,400**
MANUFACTURING	**976,200**	**980,000**	**987,700**	**-3,800**	**-11,500**
Durable Goods	**544,200**	**548,600**	**565,600**	**-4,400**	**-21,400**
Lumber & Wood Products	31,700	31,900	31,700	-200	0
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	7,600	7,700	7,600	-100	0
Furniture & Fixtures	15,200	14,900	16,000	300	-800
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	33,200	33,500	34,700	-300	-1,500
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,100	14,200	14,900	-100	-800
Primary Metal Industries	30,100	30,000	30,100	100	0
Fabricated Metal Industries	80,900	81,000	81,600	-100	-700
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	39,500	39,600	40,400	-100	-900
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	113,900	115,200	115,100	-1,300	-1,200
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	27,400	27,700	26,100	-300	1,300
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	97,200	99,200	104,300	-2,000	-7,100
Transportation Equipment	86,700	87,500	97,300	-800	-10,600
Aircraft & Parts	59,800	60,200	69,800	-400	-10,000
Instruments & Related Prod.	39,200	39,400	39,000	-200	200
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	16,100	16,000	15,800	100	300
Nondurable Goods	**432,000**	**431,400**	**422,100**	**600**	**9,900**
Food & Kindred Products	102,600	102,300	101,000	300	1,600
Meat Products	31,800	31,200	31,000	600	800
Dairy Products	4,300	4,300	4,300	0	0
Bakery Products	9,700	9,600	9,700	100	0
Malt Beverages	3,100	3,100	3,000	0	100
Textile Mill Products	4,100	4,100	4,200	0	-100
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	56,600	56,200	55,000	400	1,600
Paper & Allied Products	24,600	24,600	24,500	0	100
Printing & Publishing	74,500	74,400	73,500	100	1,000
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	35,400	35,500	35,600	-100	-200
Chemicals & Allied Products	89,300	89,500	84,800	-200	4,500
Petroleum & Coal Products	31,200	31,200	29,300	0	1,900
Petroleum Refining	28,000	28,000	26,000	0	2,000
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	42,100	42,000	42,500	100	-400
Leather & Leather Products	6,900	7,000	7,200	-100	-300
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,159,600**	**6,113,800**	**6,073,700**	**45,800**	**85,900**
Mining	**178,400**	**181,300**	**180,700**	**-2,900**	**-2,300**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,200	9,400	9,400	-200	-200
Oil & Gas Extraction	169,200	171,900	171,300	-2,700	-2,100
Construction	**346,100**	**346,300**	**337,900**	**-200**	**8,200**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**435,300**	**436,600**	**428,000**	**-1,300**	**7,300**
Railroad Transportation	18,200	18,200	18,700	0	-500
Other Transportation	249,900	250,700	241,800	-800	8,100
Transportation by Air	83,100	83,300	76,800	-200	6,300
Communications	88,100	88,200	89,000	-100	-900
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	79,100	79,500	78,500	-400	600
Electric Services	40,300	40,600	40,400	-300	-100
Gas Production & Distribution	26,900	27,000	27,000	-100	-100
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,718,000**	**1,721,800**	**1,712,300**	**-3,800**	**5,700**
Wholesale Trade	421,900	423,200	422,900	-1,300	-1,000
Retail Trade	1,296,100	1,298,600	1,289,400	-2,500	6,700
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	40,100	40,500	40,400	-400	-300
General Merchandise Stores	181,500	180,000	181,200	1,500	300
Food Stores	237,900	237,300	237,100	600	800
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	138,800	138,900	137,900	-100	900
Apparel & Accessory Stores	75,500	77,400	77,700	-1,900	-2,200
Eating & Drinking Places	444,300	446,100	431,300	-1,800	13,000
Other Retail Trade	178,000	178,400	183,800	-400	-5,800
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**427,500**	**429,500**	**429,100**	**-2,000**	**-1,600**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	124,800	125,600	128,700	-800	-3,900
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	145,800	145,800	143,000	0	2,800
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	156,900	158,100	157,400	-1,200	-500
Services	**1,751,600**	**1,753,200**	**1,716,300**	**-1,600**	**35,300**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	86,000	87,000	86,600	-1,000	-600
Personal Services	79,600	79,400	78,300	200	1,300
Business & Repair Services	449,200	449,300	449,800	-100	-600
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	78,100	79,200	79,100	-1,100	-1,000
Health Services	506,200	504,200	476,000	2,000	30,200
Educational Services	81,900	80,100	85,100	1,800	-3,200
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	154,000	153,900	152,000	100	2,000
Other Services & Miscellaneous	316,600	320,100	309,400	-3,500	7,200
Total Government	**1,302,700**	**1,245,100**	**1,269,400**	**57,600**	**33,300**
Federal Government	205,100	206,100	200,000	-1,000	5,100
State Government	290,800	281,200	276,100	9,600	14,700
Local Government	806,800	757,800	793,300	49,000	13,500

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT + TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	Sept.'91*	Aug. '91**	Sept.'90**	Sept.'91*	Aug.'91**	Sept.'90**	Sept.'91*	Aug.'91**	Sept.'90**	Sept.'91*	Aug.'91**	Sept.'90**
	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
TOTAL	**48,600**	**47,400**	**48,800**	**78,600**	**77,700**	**78,800**	**383,600**	**372,300**	**382,400**	**150,300**	**148,700**	**144,200**
Manufacturing	4,400	4,500	4,500	8,900	8,600	8,400	48,700	48,600	49,200	25,900	26,300	25,500
Mining	1,400	1,400	1,600	900	1,000	1,100	700	700	700	1,900	1,900	1,900
Construction	1,600	1,600	1,600	3,000	3,100	3,300	12,400	12,500	12,400	14,500	14,600	11,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,700	2,800	5,600	5,700	5,600	12,000	12,000	11,800	9,600	9,600	9,600
Trade	12,700	12,700	12,700	22,800	22,900	22,900	76,800	76,800	77,300	33,700	33,600	33,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	2,000	1,900	4,200	4,300	4,300	23,300	23,200	23,500	5,500	5,500	5,400
Services & Misc.	14,600	13,900	14,500	18,200	18,300	18,100	99,600	99,500	98,000	37,500	37,100	35,900
Government	9,200	8,600	9,200	15,000	13,800	15,100	110,100	95,800	109,500	21,700	20,100	21,400
	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	**68,900**	**67,600**	**66,500**	**77,400**	**78,200**	**75,000**	**53,500**	**51,900**	**54,200**	**138,200**	**137,900**	**136,100**
Manufacturing	17,000	17,000	16,700	12,300	12,400	11,500	3,500	3,600	3,600	12,200	12,200	12,300
Mining	1,800	1,900	2,100	—	—	—	500	500	600	4,100	4,100	3,900
Construction	9,600	8,900	8,600	2,400	2,400	2,300	1,800	1,900	1,900	11,700	11,700	13,100
Trans., Comm. & Util.	3,100	3,100	2,900	3,500	3,600	3,200	1,400	1,400	1,300	6,500	6,500	6,600
Trade	13,100	13,000	12,600	20,900	21,000	20,300	11,500	11,000	11,700	32,600	32,700	32,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,800	1,800	1,800	3,700	3,800	3,400	1,800	1,700	1,900	6,200	6,300	6,200
Services & Misc.	10,000	10,100	9,700	17,800	18,300	16,800	10,800	10,500	10,500	34,000	33,700	32,200
Government	12,500	11,800	12,100	16,800	16,700	17,500	22,200	21,300	22,700	30,900	30,700	29,600
	DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	**1,376.6**	**1,370.5**	**1,379.3**	**209,800**	**208,800**	**208,600**	**587,200**	**584,100**	**593,000**	**77,300**	**77,200**	**77,000**
Manufacturing	211.9	213.8	220.7	40,800	41,000	42,700	103,700	103,800	118,700	8,600	8,600	8,700
Mining	17.8	18.1	18.0	—	—	—	4,500	4,500	4,500	700	600	600
Construction	46.4	46.9	47.9	7,600	7,800	7,800	22,300	22,800	22,900	4,200	4,200	4,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	84.6	84.6	83.0	10,800	10,800	11,100	57,700	57,400	56,100	5,400	5,400	5,200
Trade	355.5	355.5	353.7	52,700	52,900	52,000	151,000	151,900	151,100	15,500	15,600	15,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	122.7	122.9	125.6	8,100	8,100	8,300	26,600	26,900	27,300	5,100	5,100	5,100
Services & Misc.	375.0	373.7	369.0	44,800	45,200	43,300	142,200	142,400	136,900	15,300	15,700	15,300
Government	162.7	155.0	161.4	45,000	43,000	43,400	79,200	74,400	75,500	22,500	22,000	22,400
	HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	**1,636.8**	**1,632.9**	**1,612.2**	**74,800**	**74,500**	**74,100**	**45,300**	**44,900**	**45,000**	**69,100**	**69,000**	**69,400**
Manufacturing	177.2	178.9	176.0	8,700	8,700	8,700	1,500	1,600	1,700	16,200	16,100	16,200
Mining	71.6	73.2	69.6	—	—	—	1,800	1,700	1,800	3,300	3,400	3,500
Construction	110.0	109.6	112.7	2,500	2,600	2,500	1,200	1,200	1,300	3,900	3,800	3,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	113.1	114.1	110.7	2,500	2,500	2,500	6,500	6,400	6,200	3,600	3,600	3,500
Trade	374.3	375.2	373.3	16,800	16,900	16,300	14,000	13,800	14,300	16,900	17,100	17,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	101.0	102.3	103.3	3,500	3,500	3,400	1,700	1,700	1,800	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	476.7	477.5	461.3	17,900	18,000	17,700	8,400	8,400	8,000	14,100	14,100	14,000
Government	212.9	202.1	205.3	22,900	22,300	23,000	10,200	10,100	9,900	8,500	8,300	8,600
	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	**98,000**	**97,300**	**99,100**	**102,100**	**101,400**	**101,100**	**45,500**	**45,100**	**43,900**	**45,000**	**44,900**	**43,700**
Manufacturing	7,100	7,100	7,100	13,000	13,200	13,600	2,400	2,200	2,200	4,600	4,700	4,100
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	900	9,000	9,100	8,900	5,100	5,100	5,200
Construction	3,900	4,100	3,500	4,400	4,500	4,500	1,500	1,600	1,400	2,400	2,400	2,200
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,300	5,000	5,400	3,200	3,200	3,200	2,500	2,500	2,300	2,200	2,200	2,000
Trade	28,300	28,100	28,900	32,200	31,500	31,300	10,900	10,800	10,400	12,800	13,000	12,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	5,600	5,700	5,500	3,900	3,900	4,000	2,200	2,200	2,300	1,300	1,300	1,500
Services & Misc.	24,800	24,700	25,600	18,300	18,400	17,600	9,700	9,900	9,400	8,300	8,300	8,100
Government	22,800	22,400	22,900	26,300	25,900	26,000	7,300	6,800	7,000	8,300	7,900	8,000
	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	**37,000**	**36,100**	**36,300**	**523,400**	**515,200**	**520,800**	**37,900**	**37,400**	**38,300**	**45,800**	**45,600**	**46,900**
Manufacturing	4,900	4,900	5,000	43,800	44,100	43,400	10,600	10,900	11,200	6,500	6,600	7,000
Mining	400	400	500	1,800	1,800	1,800	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,100	22,600	22,500	22,500	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,500	22,700	22,500	21,900	1,600	1,600	1,600	2,400	2,400	2,400
Trade	9,200	8,800	8,900	132,200	132,600	131,300	8,000	8,000	7,900	11,000	11,000	11,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,600	37,600	37,700	39,500	2,100	2,100	2,100	1,700	1,700	1,900
Services & Misc.	9,400	9,200	9,100	141,200	139,900	141,300	9,700	9,200	9,700	11,400	11,400	11,200
Government	7,600	7,300	7,600	121,500	114,100	119,100	4,500	4,200	4,400	11,300	11,000	11,800
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	**63,400**	**62,900**	**62,600**	**29,600**	**28,900**	**28,200**	**82,600**	**80,600**	**82,700**	**49,900**	**49,600**	**50,300**
Manufacturing	11,300	11,200	11,300	3,200	3,100	3,000	15,500	15,500	15,600	8,000	8,000	8,400
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,600	1,500	1,600	1,600	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,800	1,800	1,600	3,200	3,200	3,000	1,700	1,700	1,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,900	2,900	2,800	1,400	1,400	1,400	3,400	3,300	3,500	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	15,800	15,800	16,000	7,800	7,800	7,600	19,100	19,400	19,100	11,500	11,600	11,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,400	3,400	3,500	1,600	1,600	1,600	5,200	5,200	5,300	2,100	2,100	2,100
Services & Misc.	16,500	16,500	16,200	6,900	6,800	6,300	22,800	21,500	22,800	12,900	12,800	12,700
Government	9,900	9,500	9,300	5,400	4,800	5,100	13,400	12,500	13,400	9,600	9,300	9,500

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✚

FOR TEXAS

—	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Sept.'91*	Aug.'91	Sept.'90	Sept.'91*	Aug.'91	Sept.'90	Sept.'91*	Aug.'91	Sept.'90
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 465.86	$ 457.45	$ 445.42	42.7	42.2	42.3	$ 10.91	$10.84	$10.53
Durable Goods	454.33	448.38	439.69	42.7	42.3	42.4	10.64	10.60	10.37
Lumber & Wood Products	336.93	334.41	315.56	43.7	43.6	42.3	7.71	7.67	7.46
Furniture & Fixtures	326.80	330.60	288.32	43.0	43.5	40.1	7.60	7.60	7.19
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	425.30	412.59	430.22	43.8	42.8	43.5	9.71	9.64	9.89
Primary Metal Industries	499.66	505.76	503.88	43.0	43.6	44.2	11.62	11.60	11.40
Fabricated Metal Products	433.82	429.66	408.59	43.6	43.4	43.1	9.95	9.90	9.48
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	450.66	440.30	450.75	43.5	42.5	43.3	10.36	10.36	10.41
Oil Field Machinery	540.92	529.38	583.98	47.7	46.6	49.7	11.34	11.36	11.75
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	459.19	446.69	468.12	40.6	39.6	41.5	11.31	11.28	11.28
Transportation Equipment	608.10	603.62	550.74	42.2	42.3	41.1	14.41	14.27	13.40
Instruments & Related Prod.	440.58	427.63	415.83	42.0	41.0	41.5	10.49	10.43	10.02
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	311.65	317.14	288.64	39.7	40.4	38.9	7.85	7.85	7.42
Nondurable Goods	477.97	468.15	451.73	42.6	42.1	42.1	11.22	11.12	10.73
Food & Kindred Products	388.33	393.27	367.18	43.1	43.6	43.3	9.01	9.02	8.48
Meat Products	300.15	301.71	289.96	43.5	43.6	43.8	6.90	6.92	6.62
Malt Beverages	957.25	995.86	897.82	48.2	49.3	48.4	19.86	20.20	18.55
Textile Mill Products	384.34	373.50	350.76	45.7	45.0	43.9	8.41	8.30	7.99
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	235.01	223.61	214.27	38.4	36.9	37.2	6.12	6.06	5.76
Paper & Allied Products	534.89	518.76	511.66	45.6	44.0	45.4	11.73	11.79	11.27
Printing & Publishing	451.88	443.70	433.49	40.6	40.3	40.4	11.13	11.01	10.73
Chemicals & Allied Products	750.62	721.82	726.33	44.6	43.8	44.1	16.83	16.48	16.47
Petroleum & Coal Products	814.27	773.52	773.87	45.9	44.0	45.9	17.74	17.58	16.86
Petroleum Refining	842.72	798.04	806.38	45.9	43.8	46.0	18.36	18.22	17.53
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	411.08	413.08	388.54	43.0	43.3	41.6	9.56	9.54	9.34
Leather & Leather Products	265.56	267.92	271.83	39.4	39.4	41.0	6.74	6.80	6.63
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	666.85	646.11	632.92	45.8	44.9	46.3	14.56	14.39	13.67
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	690.41	666.79	620.00	51.6	50.4	49.6	13.38	13.23	12.50
Oil & Gas Extraction	665.56	644.36	633.88	45.4	44.5	46.1	14.66	14.48	13.75
Communications	559.99	553.38	553.20	40.2	40.1	41.5	13.93	13.80	13.33
Elec., Gas & San. Services	579.49	563.46	574.52	41.6	41.8	43.1	13.93	13.48	13.33
Wholesale & Retail Trade	253.10	251.13	246.13	32.7	33.0	32.6	7.74	7.61	7.55
Wholesale Trade	444.21	432.63	434.56	40.2	39.8	40.2	11.05	10.87	10.81
Retail Trade	196.73	197.47	189.98	30.5	31.0	30.3	6.45	6.37	6.27
General Merchandise Stores	198.47	198.86	186.78	30.3	30.5	29.6	6.55	6.52	6.31
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	347.60	320.84	338.30	39.1	36.5	39.2	8.89	8.79	8.63

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 452.15	$ 444.11	$ 438.53	42.1	41.7	42.7	$ 10.74	$ 10.65	$ 10.27
Durable Goods	471.24	457.60	457.96	42.0	41.3	42.8	11.22	11.08	10.70
Nondurable Goods	421.31	421.31	403.22	42.3	42.3	42.4	9.96	9.96	9.51
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	506.94	502.68	471.33	42.6	42.6	41.2	11.90	11.80	11.44
Durable Goods	529.09	522.79	491.93	42.6	42.4	41.2	12.42	12.33	11.94
Nondurable Goods	460.70	460.75	423.54	42.5	42.9	41.2	10.84	10.74	10.28
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	566.55	553.75	551.75	45.0	44.3	45.3	12.59	12.50	12.18
Durable Goods	487.61	481.42	471.50	44.9	44.7	45.6	10.86	10.77	10.34
Nondurable Goods	666.58	645.17	653.40	45.1	43.8	45.0	14.78	14.73	14.52
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	339.49	335.70	324.24	41.1	40.3	41.2	8.26	8.33	7.87
Durable Goods	346.94	342.23	330.64	41.5	40.5	41.8	8.36	8.45	7.91
Nondurable Goods	332.93	327.60	317.90	40.8	40.0	40.6	8.16	8.19	7.83

✚Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Construction experienced the smallest loss of any Nonmanufacturing sector, losing 200 jobs over the month. At 346,100, this was up 8,200 from September '90.

Manufacturing showed a decrease of 3,800 from August. This represented 976,200 jobs, which was down by 11,500 from one year ago. **Durable Goods** decreased by 4,400 over the month. The largest decrease in Durables was found in Electronic and Other Electrical Equipment. Early retirement incentives offered by an influential manufacturer in this sector helped to reduce employment by 2,000. Response to this newly established program was so positive that proposed layoffs were limited. Industrial Machinery and Equipment experienced a decrease of 1,300 from August. Contracts being completed was partly the reason for the drop. Transportation Equipment was down by 800 over the month. Half of this loss was found in Aircraft and Parts. **Nondurable Goods** increased by 600 from August. The largest gain, also of 600, was found within Food and Kindred Products, in Meat Products.

Average Weekly Earnings Rise

For the estimated 641,100 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings increased by seven cents in September. Average Weekly Hours were up by five-tenths of an hour over the month. Average Weekly Earnings increased by $8.41 from August.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	Sept.'91	Sept.'90
Total Population	17,324,500*	17,170,600*
% UI Covered Unemployment	1.8	1.5
UI Covered Employers	323,855	316,855
Total Claims Actions	603,001	469,432
Total Initial Claims Actions	65,267	53,376
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	537,734	416,056
Total Placements	31,510	32,531
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$165.70	$155.50
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	$72,121,277	$50,680,706

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**Regular State UI benefits.

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Abilene	$1,056,848
Amarillo	1,897,339
Austin	9,007,777
Beaumont-Port Arthur	6,352,282
Brazoria	2,170,573
Brownsville-Harlingen	3,387,935
Bryan-College Station	643,563
Corpus Christi	5,068,210
Dallas	45,392,823
El Paso	8,026,102
Fort Worth-Arlington	28,803,411
Galveston-Texas City	3,617,109
Houston	47,141,578
Killeen-Temple	1,596,551
Laredo	1,250,543
Longview-Marshall	2,724,351
Lubbock	2,476,847
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	6,590,834
Midland	1,112,463
Odessa	1,670,572
San Angelo	889,897
San Antonio	13,217,413
Sherman-Denison	1,315,566
Texarkana (Bowie Co. only)	914,315
Tyler	1,846,565
Victoria	667,407
Waco	2,852,738
Wichita Falls	1,529,083

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GOVERNMENT JOB GROWTH CONTINUES

Texas Unemployment Rate Increases

The Texas actual (not seasonally adjusted) unemployment rate increased substantially between September and October, from 6.4 percent to 7.2 percent. The current rate is the highest for Texas in the actual series since August 1989. The number of jobless Texans rose by 69,500 from September to an estimated 616,100 in mid-October. Total employment declined somewhat over the month. The current estimate of 7,917,500 was also below the year-ago level. Although unemployment did increase to some degree in October, it is important not to attach too much significance to one month's statistics. The State's unemployment rate for the third quarter of 1991 averaged 6.5 percent, up moderately from the 6.1 percent average for the same period in 1990.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate also rose over the month, from 6.6 to 7.9 percent. The seasonally adjusted U. S. jobless rate increased from 6.7 to 6.8 percent in October.

Nonfarm Jobs Increase

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment in Texas had a total of 7,162,200 in October '91. This was up by 36,000 jobs from September. The over-the-year change was up by 64,700.

Total **Nonmanufacturing** increased by 36,100 from September. At 6,186,300 this was up by 79,100 from October '90. **Government** showed the largest gain, increasing 26,800 over the month, and up 22,500 over the year. Local Government rose by 15,800 while State Government increased by 10,800. These were seasonal upswings due to final staffing of public and private schools and colleges for the fall semester. Federal Government was also up by 200 over the month.

Continued growth in Health Services and seasonal increases in private education generated a sizeable increase in **Services.** At 1,763,300 the Services sector was up by 8,500 from September '91, and up by 39,600 from

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Oct.'91	Sept. '91	Oct.'90
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	125,568.0	125,405.0	125,021.0
Unemployment	8,013.0	8,070.0	6,722.0
Percent Unemployed	**6.4%**	**6.4%**	**5.4%**
Total Employment	117,555.0	117,335.0	118,299.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	125,549.0	125,607.0	124,875.0
Unemployment	8,582.0	8,442.0	7,142.0
Percent Unemployed	**6.8%**	**6.7%**	**5.7%**
Total Employment	116,967.0	117,165.0	117,733.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,533.5	8,524.8	8,406.1
Unemployment	616.0	546.6	445.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.2%**	**6.4%**	**5.3%**
Total Employment	7,917.5	7,978.2	7,961.1
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,553.0	8,515.0	8,416.0
Unemployment	672.0	559.0	500.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.9%**	**6.6%**	**5.9%**
Total Employment	7,881.0	7,956.0	7,916.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Oct.'91*	Sept.'91**	Oct.'90**	Oct.'91*	Sept.'91**	Oct.'90**	Oct.'91*	Sept.'91**	Oct.'90**
		ABILENE			**AMARILLO**			**AUSTIN**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	50,200	50,800	50,400	94,900	95,800	95,600	443,100	442,500	437,800
Total Unemployment	3,200	3,400	2,600	5,000	4,600	4,000	23,400	20,900	17,500
Percent Unemployed	**6.4%**	**6.7%**	**5.2%**	**5.3%**	**4.8%**	**4.2%**	**5.3%**	**4.7%**	**4.0%**
Total Employment ++	47,000	47,400	47,800	89,900	91,200	91,600	419,700	421,600	420,300
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			**BRAZORIA**			**BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	173,000	172,800	164,800	89,400	89,700	86,900	107,400	106,600	101,500
Total Unemployment	13,900	12,700	10,000	5,400	4,900	4,200	13,900	12,300	9,500
Percent Unemployed	**8.0%**	**7.3%**	**6.1%**	**6.0%**	**5.5%**	**4.8%**	**12.9%**	**11.5%**	**9.4%**
Total Employment ++	159,100	160,100	154,800	84,000	84,800	82,700	93,500	94,300	92,000
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			**CORPUS CHRISTI**			**DALLAS*** **	
Total Civilian Labor Force	64,000	60,800	63,000	168,400	168,400	164,600	1,445.4	1,441.4	1,432.8
Total Unemployment	2,400	2,200	1,900	14,700	13,000	10,900	98.4	86.6	66.8
Percent Unemployed	**3.8%**	**3.6%**	**3.0%**	**8.7%**	**7.7%**	**6.6%**	**6.8%**	**6.0%**	**4.7%**
Total Employment ++	61,600	58,600	61,100	153,700	155,400	153,700	1,347.0	1,354.8	1,366.0
		EL PASO			**FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON**			**GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	254,500	253,500	248,600	734,700	737,300	731,100	110,900	110,900	108,400
Total Unemployment	28,600	25,700	24,000	53,000	47,600	32,400	8,200	7,200	6,700
Percent Unemployed	**11.2%**	**10.1%**	**9.7%**	**7.2%**	**6.5%**	**4.4%**	**7.4%**	**6.5%**	**6.2%**
Total Employment ++	225,900	227,800	224,600	681,700	689,700	698,700	102,700	103,700	101,700
		HOUSTON* **			**KILLEEN-TEMPLE**			**LAREDO**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,758.1	1,761.1	1,725.7	96,800	96,700	95,600	52,800	51,800	52,100
Total Unemployment	113.5	100.9	79.9	7,300	6,400	6,000	5,100	4,200	4,400
Percent Unemployed	**6.5%**	**5.7%**	**4.6%**	**7.5%**	**6.6%**	**6.3%**	**9.7%**	**8.1%**	**8.4%**
Total Employment ++	1,644.6	1,660.2	1,645.8	89,500	90,300	89,600	47,700	47,600	47,700
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			**LUBBOCK**			**MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	78,700	78,300	78,500	115,400	115,000	115,800	161,600	156,200	155,900
Total Unemployment	6,900	6,000	4,700	7,100	6,200	5,000	30,000	25,000	22,800
Percent Unemployed	**8.8%**	**7.7%**	**6.0%**	**6.2%**	**5.4%**	**4.3%**	**18.6%**	**16.0%**	**14.6%**
Total Employment ++	71,800	72,300	73,800	108,300	108,800	110,800	131,600	131,200	133,100
		MIDLAND			**ODESSA**			**SAN ANGELO**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	48,200	48,100	47,100	52,800	53,100	50,900	44,200	43,900	43,400
Total Unemployment	3,200	2,600	2,100	4,100	3,700	2,300	2,500	2,400	2,000
Percent Unemployed	**6.6%**	**5.4%**	**4.5%**	**7.8%**	**7.0%**	**4.5%**	**5.7%**	**5.5%**	**4.6%**
Total Employment ++	45,000	45,500	45,000	48,700	49,400	48,600	41,700	41,500	41,400
		SAN ANTONIO			**SHERMAN-DENISON**			**TEXARKANA**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	601,700	602,600	600,500	46,700	47,000	47,000	56,200	56,200	57,500
Total Unemployment	42,400	37,600	36,100	3,300	2,900	2,200	4,500	4,200	4,200
Percent Unemployed	**7.0%**	**6.2%**	**6.0%**	**7.1%**	**6.2%**	**4.7%**	**8.0%**	**7.5%**	**7.3%**
Total Employment ++	559,300	565,000	564,400	43,400	44,100	44,800	51,700	52,000	53,300
		TYLER			**VICTORIA**			**WACO**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	73,900	73,700	73,300	37,000	36,700	35,600	93,600	93,200	92,400
Total Unemployment	5,300	4,700	4,100	2,100	1,700	1,500	6,300	5,700	4,600
Percent Unemployed	**7.2%**	**6.4%**	**5.6%**	**5.7%**	**4.6%**	**4.2%**	**6.7%**	**6.1%**	**5.0%**
Total Employment ++	68,600	69,000	69,200	34,900	35,000	34,100	87,300	87,500	87,800
		WICHITA FALLS						**STATE OF TEXAS*** **	
Total Civilian Labor Force	54,800	54,800	54,600				8,533.6	8,524.8	8,406.1
Total Unemployment	4,000	3,500	2,800				616.1	546.6	445.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.3%**	**6.4%**	**5.1%**				**7.2%**	**6.4%**	**5.3%**
Total Employment ++	50,800	51,300	51,800				7,917.5	7,978.2	7,961.1

◆ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

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October '90. Health Services led the increases, up by 4,500 over the month, while Educational Services came in second, going up by 3,000. Business and Repair Services rose by 1,100, while Engineering and Management Services went up by 1,000. Smaller increases occurred in Other Services and Miscellaneous, up by 500, and in Personal Services, up by 200 over the month. Seasonal declines occurred in Amusement, Including Motion Pictures, down by 1,400, and in Hotels and Other Lodging Places, down by 400 from September.

An increase of 1,600 was seen in both **Construction** and in **Transportation and Public Utilities**. Other Transportation went up by 1,800 over the month. The largest growth was centered in the Trucking and Warehousing Industries which grew by 1,100 positions. Some of this activity was spurred by the harvesting of cotton. Transportation By Air went up by 300. Decreases of 100 each were shown in both Communications and in Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services.

Mining experienced a decline of 1,600 jobs in October, continuing last month's trend. This loss was centered in Oil and Gas Extraction, down by 1,500 over the month. Metal and Coal and Nonmetallic Minerals, Except Fuel decreased by 100.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate fell by 700 from September, as the decline of National Commercial Banks continued.

Wholesale and Retail Trade fell by 100 over the month. At 1,717,300, this was up by 4,000 over the year. The largest decrease was a seasonal one which occurred in Eating and Drinking Places, down by 2,800 from September. Smaller declines occurred in Automotive Dealers and Service Stations, down by 300, and in Apparel and Accessory Stores, down by 200 over the month. The largest gain in Trade was in Other Retail Trade, up by 1,400. Food Stores went up by 1,000 and General Merchandise Stores rose by 500, while Wholesale Trade increased by 300.

Manufacturing fell by 100 over the month. A decrease of 1,900 in **Durable Goods** was offset by a rise of 1,800 in **Nondurable Goods**. The largest decrease in Durables was found in Transportation Equipment, down by 700 over the month. Industrial Machinery and Equipment fell by 600. Primary Metal Industries went down by 400, while Stone, Clay and Glass Products decreased by 300. Smaller drops were seen in Fabricated Metal Industries, down by 200, and in Electronic and Other Electrical Equipment, down by 100 from September.

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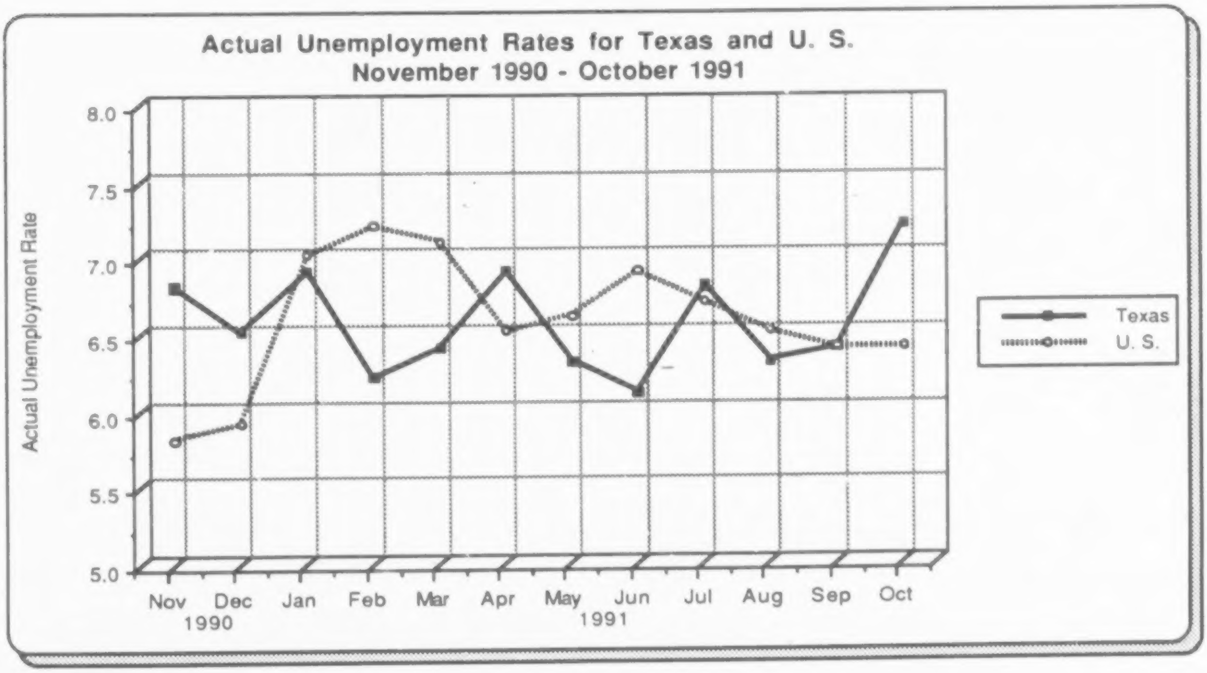
Actual Unemployment Rates for Texas and U. S.
November 1990 - October 1991

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	OCT. '91*	SEPT. '91**	OCT. '90**	Chg. from SEPT. '91	Chg. from OCT. '90
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,162,200**	**7,126,200**	**7,097,500**	**36,000**	**64,700**
MANUFACTURING	**975,900**	**976,000**	**990,300**	**-100**	**-14,400**
Durable Goods	**542,100**	**544,000**	**566,300**	**-1,900**	**-24,200**
Lumber & Wood Products	31,800	31,700	31,900	100	-100
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planin[illegible]s	7,600	7,600	7,700	0	-100
Furniture & Fixtures	15,200	15,100	16,300	100	-1,100
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	33,000	33,300	34,700	-300	-1,700
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	13,900	14,200	15,000	-300	-1,100
Primary Metal Industries	29,600	30,000	30,000	-400	-400
Fabricated Metal Industries	80,500	80,700	81,700	-200	-1,200
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	39,200	39,500	40,300	-300	-1,100
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	113,300	113,900	115,400	-600	-2,100
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	26,900	27,300	26,600	-400	300
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	96,900	97,000	104,100	-100	-7,200
Transportation Equipment	86,100	86,800	97,300	-700	-11,200
Aircraft & Parts	59,500	59,800	69,600	-300	-10,100
Instruments & Related Prod.	39,200	39,100	39,000	100	200
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	16,500	16,400	15,900	100	600
Nondurable Goods	**433,800**	**432,000**	**424,000**	**1,800**	**9,800**
Food & Kindred Products	102,600	102,200	102,300	400	300
Meat Products	31,900	31,700	31,700	200	200
Dairy Products	4,300	4,300	4,300	0	0
Bakery Products	9,600	9,700	9,800	-100	-200
Malt Beverages	3,000	3,100	2,900	-100	100
Textile Mill Products	4,200	4,100	4,300	100	-100
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	56,900	56,800	55,000	100	1,900
Paper & Allied Products	24,500	24,600	24,500	-100	0
Printing & Publishing	74,800	74,500	73,400	300	1,400
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	35,600	35,400	35,200	200	400
Chemicals & Allied Products	89,800	89,400	84,900	400	4,900
Petroleum & Coal Products	31,400	31,100	29,500	300	1,900
Petroleum Refining	28,200	27,900	26,200	300	2,000
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	42,400	42,200	42,600	200	-200
Leather & Leather Products	7,100	7,000	7,400	100	-300
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,186,300**	**6,150,200**	**6,107,200**	**36,100**	**79,100**
Mining	**176,100**	**177,700**	**182,000**	**-1,600**	**-5,900**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,100	9,200	9,400	-100	-300
Oil & Gas Extraction	167,000	168,500	172,600	-1,500	-5,600
Construction	**347,600**	**346,000**	**337,300**	**1,600**	**10,300**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**436,800**	**435,200**	**426,300**	**1,600**	**10,500**
Railroad Transportation	18,100	18,100	18,600	0	-500
Other Transportation	251,500	249,700	240,000	1,800	11,500
Transportation by Air	83,300	83,000	77,100	300	6,200
Communications	88,200	88,300	89,100	-100	-900
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	79,000	79,100	78,600	-100	400
Electric Services	40,200	40,300	40,400	-100	-200
Gas Production & Distribution	26,800	26,900	27,000	-100	-200
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,717,300**	**1,717,400**	**1,713,300**	**-100**	**4,000**
Wholesale Trade	421,200	420,900	422,300	300	-1,100
Retail Trade	1,296,100	1,296,500	1,291,000	-400	5,100
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	39,800	39,800	39,800	0	0
General Merchandise Stores	181,800	181,300	182,400	500	-600
Food Stores	239,200	238,200	238,300	1,000	900
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	138,500	138,800	138,000	-300	500
Apparel & Accessory Stores	75,900	76,100	77,800	-200	-1,900
Eating & Drinking Places	441,100	443,900	429,900	-2,800	11,200
Other Retail Trade	179,800	178,400	184,800	1,400	-5,000
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**427,400**	**428,100**	**429,300**	**-700**	**-1,900**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	123,900	124,500	128,200	-600	-4,300
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	146,000	145,900	143,600	100	2,400
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	157,500	157,700	157,500	-200	0
Services	**1,763,300**	**1,754,800**	**1,723,700**	**8,500**	**39,600**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	85,500	85,900	86,700	-400	-1,200
Personal Services	79,700	79,500	78,900	200	800
Business & Repair Services	450,500	449,400	450,800	1,100	-300
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	77,000	78,400	76,900	-1,400	100
Health Services	510,700	506,200	478,200	4,500	32,500
Educational Services	88,500	85,500	87,800	3,000	700
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	154,600	153,600	152,700	1,000	1,900
Other Services & Miscellaneous	316,800	316,300	311,700	500	5,100
Total Government	**1,317,800**	**1,291,000**	**1,295,300**	**26,800**	**22,500**
Federal Government	205,200	205,000	199,400	200	5,800
State Government	298,400	287,600	285,000	10,800	13,400
Local Government	814,200	798,400	810,900	15,800	3,300

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Oct.'91*	Sept. '91**	Oct.'90**	Oct.'91*	Sept.'91**	Oct.'90**	Oct.'91*	Sept.'91**	Oct.'90**	Oct.'91*	Sept.'91**	Oct.'90**
Industry		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR	
TOTAL	**48,800**	**48,600**	**48,800**	**78,100**	**78,600**	**78,900**	**385,100**	**381,400**	**383,900**	**151,100**	**150,300**	**144,900**
Manufacturing	4,400	4,400	4,500	9,100	8,900	8,800	48,800	48,700	49,400	26,100	26,000	25,400
Mining	1,500	1,400	1,500	900	900	1,100	700	700	700	1,900	1,900	1,900
Construction	1,600	1,600	1,600	2,900	3,000	3,200	12,500	12,400	12,200	15,000	14,500	11,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,700	2,800	5,500	5,600	5,600	12,300	12,100	11,900	9,600	9,600	9,600
Trade	12,700	12,700	12,800	22,500	22,700	22,900	76,800	76,800	77,200	33,800	33,700	33,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	2,000	1,900	4,200	4,300	4,300	23,300	23,300	23,400	5,500	5,500	5,400
Services & Misc.	14,600	14,600	14,500	17,900	18,200	17,600	100,200	99,600	98,000	37,500	37,400	36,100
Government	9,200	9,200	9,200	15,100	15,000	15,400	110,500	107,800	111,100	21,700	21,700	21,500
		BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI	
TOTAL	**69,200**	**69,100**	**66,900**	**78,200**	**78,300**	**75,200**	**57,100**	**53,400**	**55,900**	**138,500**	**138,500**	**136,800**
Manufacturing	17,100	17,000	16,800	12,100	12,400	11,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	12,400	12,400	12,200
Mining	1,900	1,900	2,000	—	—	—	500	500	600	4,000	4,000	4,100
Construction	9,600	9,600	8,700	2,400	2,400	2,200	1,800	1,900	1,700	11,800	11,700	12,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	3,100	3,100	2,900	3,500	3,600	3,200	1,300	1,400	1,300	6,600	6,600	6,600
Trade	13,100	13,100	12,600	21,100	21,000	20,100	11,400	11,200	11,500	32,500	32,800	32,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,800	1,800	1,800	3,800	3,800	3,400	1,800	1,800	1,900	6,200	6,200	6,300
Services & Misc.	9,900	10,100	9,700	17,900	17,900	17,000	10,800	10,800	10,700	33,900	34,000	32,300
Government	12,700	12,500	12,400	17,400	17,200	17,800	26,000	22,300	24,700	31,100	30,800	30,200
		DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
TOTAL	**1,382.7**	**1,375.6**	**1,384.5**	**211,800**	**211,400**	**209,300**	**586,000**	**586,800**	**592,900**	**77,500**	**77,400**	**77,000**
Manufacturing	211.9	211.8	220.7	41,900	41,800	42,600	103,300	103,800	118,600	8,500	8,600	8,900
Mining	17.7	17.8	17.9	—	—	—	4,400	4,500	4,600	700	700	600
Construction	46.7	46.5	47.6	7,700	7,600	7,800	21,900	22,000	22,600	4,100	4,200	4,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	85.1	84.7	83.1	10,600	10,600	11,000	58,300	57,700	56,100	5,400	5,400	5,300
Trade	357.2	355.5	355.8	52,900	53,200	52,000	150,300	150,800	151,300	15,300	15,600	15,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	122.3	122.3	125.0	8,100	8,100	8,300	26,600	26,600	27,300	5,100	5,100	5,100
Services & Misc.	376.7	374.6	372.2	44,800	45,200	43,500	141,600	142,200	135,700	15,200	15,400	15,100
Government	165.1	162.4	162.2	45,800	44,900	44,100	79,600	79,200	76,700	23,200	22,400	22,700
		HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL	
TOTAL	**1,639.2**	**1,636.7**	**1,618.4**	**75,000**	**74,800**	**74,000**	**45,600**	**45,400**	**45,000**	**69,200**	**68,900**	**69,600**
Manufacturing	176.7	177.7	176.4	8,600	8,600	8,800	1,500	1,500	1,700	15,900	16,000	16,200
Mining	70.4	71.7	69.5	—	—	—	1,800	1,800	1,800	3,400	3,400	3,500
Construction	109.3	108.9	112.5	2,400	2,500	2,500	1,300	1,200	1,300	4,000	3,800	3,800
Trans., Comm. & Util.	113.1	113.0	111.1	2,500	2,500	2,500	6,500	6,400	6,200	3,600	3,600	3,500
Trade	375.8	375.4	372.8	16,900	16,800	16,200	14,000	14,000	14,300	17,100	17,000	16,900
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	100.7	101.4	103.4	3,400	3,500	3,400	1,700	1,700	1,800	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	476.4	475.5	463.2	18,000	17,900	17,600	8,400	8,400	8,000	14,000	14,100	14,200
Government	216.8	213.1	209.5	23,200	23,000	23,000	10,400	10,400	9,900	8,600	8,400	8,900
		LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA	
TOTAL	**99,000**	**98,200**	**100,000**	**104,500**	**103,400**	**102,600**	**45,300**	**45,200**	**44,200**	**45,100**	**45,100**	**44,300**
Manufacturing	6,900	7,100	7,100	13,100	13,000	14,000	2,500	2,500	2,300	4,700	4,600	4,300
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	900	8,700	8,800	9,000	5,100	5,100	5,300
Construction	4,000	4,000	3,500	4,400	4,300	4,500	1,600	1,500	1,400	2,300	2,400	2,100
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,400	5,300	5,500	3,100	3,100	3,200	2,500	2,500	2,400	2,200	2,200	2,000
Trade	28,200	28,300	28,900	32,600	32,100	31,500	10,900	10,800	10,500	12,800	12,800	12,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	5,700	5,600	5,500	3,900	3,900	4,000	2,300	2,200	2,300	1,200	1,300	1,500
Services & Misc.	25,100	24,800	25,700	18,600	18,400	17,900	9,700	9,800	9,300	8,500	8,400	8,200
Government	23,500	22,900	23,600	28,000	27,800	26,600	7,100	7,100	7,000	8,300	8,300	8,200
		SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
TOTAL	**37,600**	**37,100**	**36,400**	**523,600**	**523,000**	**523,100**	**37,500**	**37,900**	**38,500**	**46,300**	**45,800**	**46,800**
Manufacturing	5,100	5,100	5,000	43,500	43,900	43,100	10,300	10,600	11,100	6,500	6,500	7,000
Mining	300	400	500	1,700	1,800	1,800	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,100	22,500	22,500	22,200	1,300	1,400	1,500	1,500	1,300	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,700	2,600	22,600	22,800	21,900	1,600	1,600	1,600	2,400	2,400	2,400
Trade	9,500	9,200	9,000	132,100	132,000	131,600	8,000	8,000	7,900	11,000	11,000	11,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,500	37,600	37,500	39,300	2,100	2,100	2,100	1,700	1,700	1,800
Services & Misc.	9,600	9,400	9,000	141,100	141,200	141,500	9,700	9,700	9,800	11,400	11,400	11,200
Government	7,700	7,600	7,700	122,500	121,300	121,700	4,500	4,500	4,500	11,700	11,400	11,900
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS	
TOTAL	**63,300**	**63,100**	**62,600**	**29,700**	**29,600**	**28,500**	**83,600**	**83,100**	**83,100**	**50,100**	**49,900**	**50,500**
Manufacturing	11,100	11,200	11,300	3,100	3,200	3,000	15,500	15,500	15,500	8,100	8,000	8,400
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,600	1,500	1,600	1,500	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,800	1,800	1,700	3,200	3,200	3,000	1,700	1,700	1,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,900	2,900	2,800	1,400	1,400	1,400	3,400	3,400	3,500	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	15,800	15,800	16,000	7,900	7,800	7,600	19,200	19,200	19,200	11,500	11,500	11,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,400	3,400	3,500	1,600	1,600	1,600	5,200	5,200	5,300	2,100	2,100	2,100
Services & Misc.	16,500	16,500	15,900	6,800	6,800	6,500	23,500	23,000	23,000	12,900	12,900	12,700
Government	10,000	9,700	9,600	5,600	5,400	5,200	13,600	13,600	13,600	9,700	9,600	9,700

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✚

	Average	Weekly	Earnings	Average	Weekly	Hours	Average	Hourly	Earnings
	Oct.'91*	Sep.'91	Oct.'90	Oct.'91*	Sep.'91	Oct.'90	Oct.'91*	Sep.'91	Oct.'90
				FOR TEXAS					
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 461.67	$ 467.57	$ 441.63	42.2	42.7	41.9	$ 10.94	$10.95	$10.54
Durable Goods	451.34	458.39	435.96	42.3	42.8	42.0	10.67	10.71	10.38
Lumber & Wood Products	329.62	333.98	306.81	43.2	43.6	41.8	7.63	7.66	7.34
Furniture & Fixtures	310.90	328.02	275.99	40.8	42.6	38.6	7.62	7.70	7.15
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	421.08	425.20	423.36	43.5	43.7	43.2	9.68	9.73	9.80
Primary Metal Industries	489.90	497.34	503.53	42.6	42.8	43.9	11.50	11.62	11.47
Fabricated Metal Products	425.85	434.13	410.55	42.5	43.5	42.9	10.02	9.98	9.57
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	447.88	451.62	444.02	42.9	43.3	42.9	10.44	10.43	10.35
Oil Field Machinery	535.80	539.41	576.99	47.5	47.4	49.4	11.28	11.38	11.68
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	452.13	462.11	468.13	39.8	40.5	41.1	11.36	11.41	11.39
Transportation Equipment	625.83	633.36	549.98	43.4	43.5	40.8	14.42	14.56	13.48
Instruments & Related Prod.	427.25	435.97	406.81	41.4	41.8	40.6	10.32	10.43	10.02
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	317.97	317.58	298.22	40.3	40.2	40.3	7.89	7.90	7.40
Nondurable Goods	475.17	478.40	447.86	42.2	42.6	41.7	11.26	11.23	10.74
Food & Kindred Products	395.42	387.07	365.04	43.5	43.2	43.2	9.09	8.96	8.45
Meat Products	293.25	300.59	287.77	42.5	43.5	43.8	6.90	6.91	6.57
Malt Beverages	876.74	911.88	814.61	45.1	45.8	44.2	19.44	19.91	18.43
Textile Mill Products	373.80	387.01	350.95	44.5	45.8	44.2	8.40	8.45	7.94
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	224.83	231.95	211.30	37.1	37.9	37.2	6.06	6.12	5.68
Paper & Allied Products	513.92	533.45	494.31	44.0	45.4	43.9	11.68	11.75	11.26
Printing & Publishing	444.71	451.88	432.95	39.6	40.6	40.2	11.23	11.13	10.77
Chemicals & Allied Products	761.40	755.88	727.76	45.0	45.1	43.5	16.92	16.76	16.73
Petroleum & Coal Products	771.69	814.32	748.50	43.5	45.8	43.9	17.74	17.78	17.05
Petroleum Refining	796.18	843.64	780.56	43.2	45.9	44.0	18.43	18.38	17.74
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	409.54	408.43	382.01	43.2	42.5	40.9	9.48	9.61	9.34
Leather & Leather Products	277.38	269.84	279.07	41.9	39.8	41.1	6.62	6.78	6.79
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	643.95	664.94	618.78	45.0	45.7	45.7	14.31	14.55	13.54
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	650.86	679.89	607.34	48.9	50.7	48.9	13.31	13.41	12.42
Oil & Gas Extraction	644.67	664.66	619.71	44.8	45.4	45.5	14.39	14.64	13.62
Communications	554.80	561.56	530.40	40.0	40.4	40.0	13.87	13.90	13.26
Elec., Gas & San. Services	571.46	579.35	554.94	41.5	41.8	41.6	13.77	13.86	13.34
Wholesale & Retail Trade	249.23	252.98	241.82	32.2	32.6	32.2	7.74	7.76	7.51
Wholesale Trade	436.30	446.62	426.49	39.7	40.2	39.6	10.99	11.11	10.77
Retail Trade	193.75	196.08	187.20	29.9	30.4	30.0	6.48	6.45	6.24
General Merchandise Stores	189.08	197.81	185.95	29.0	30.2	29.8	6.52	6.55	6.24
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	320.89	347.60	311.68	36.3	39.1	36.2	8.84	8.89	8.61

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 442.90	$ 451.08	$ 436.18	41.2	42.0	41.9	$ 10.75	$ 10.74	$ 10.41
Durable Goods	458.08	468.58	456.60	40.9	41.8	42.2	11.20	11.21	10.82
Nondurable Goods	418.08	423.58	399.78	41.6	42.4	41.3	10.05	9.99	9.68
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	504.56	513.08	464.62	42.4	42.9	40.9	11.90	11.96	11.36
Durable Goods	536.21	542.88	487.45	43.0	43.5	41.1	12.47	12.48	11.86
Nondurable Goods	441.66	455.20	411.89	41.2	41.8	40.5	10.72	10.89	10.17
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	553.52	558.92	544.00	44.0	44.5	44.7	12.58	12.56	12.17
Durable Goods	472.85	479.13	468.00	43.5	44.2	45.0	10.87	10.84	10.40
Nondurable Goods	656.20	659.90	640.69	44.7	44.8	44.4	14.68	14.73	14.43
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	332.51	345.28	322.22	40.6	41.4	41.1	8.19	8.34	7.84
Durable Goods	339.47	356.16	329.64	40.9	42.0	42.1	8.30	8.48	7.83
Nondurable Goods	324.41	335.38	314.79	40.2	40.9	40.1	8.07	8.20	7.85

✚Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Small gains of 100 each were noted in Lumber and Wood Products, Furniture and Fixtures, Instruments and Related Products, and in Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries.

In Nondurables the largest gains were in Food and Kindred Products and in Chemicals and Allied Products, both up by 400 over the month. Increases of 300 were found in Printing and Publishing and in Petroleum and Coal Products. Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastics Products was up by 200. Increases of 100 each were reported in Textile Mill Products, Apparel and Other Finished Textile Products, and Leather and Leather Products. Paper and Allied Products lost 100 jobs from September.

Average Weekly Earnings Decrease

For the estimated 642,000 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings decreased by one cent from September to October 1991. Average Weekly Hours were down by five-tenths of an hour, as Average Weekly Earnings decreased by $5.90 over the month. This was $20.04 above the October 1990 level of $441.63 per week.

In mid-October a worker, on average, was earning $10.94 per hour for a 42.2-hour week, and making $461.67 in weekly earnings. This compares with $10.95 per hour for a 42.7-hour week, at $467.57 in Average Weekly Earnings one month ago. The year-ago figures were $10.54 per hour for a 41.9-hour week, with $441.63 in Average Weekly Earnings.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	OCT.'91	OCT.'90
Total Population	17,337,300*	17,183,400*
% UI Covered Unemployment	1.8	1.5
UI Covered Employers	324,677	317,483
Total Claims Actions	756,418	570,091
Total Initial Claims Actions	85,738	72,662
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	670,680	497,429
Total Placements	38,062	38,102
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$165.23	$155.91
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	$84,683,276	$60,728,158

*Revised.
**Regular State UI benefits.

The largest decrease in Average Weekly Earnings was in Durable Goods, down $7.05 over the month. The most significant loss in Durables was in Furniture and Fixtures which fell by $17.12 in Average Weekly Earnings from September. Other larger losses occurred in Electronic and Other Electrical Equipment, down by $9.98; Instruments and Related Products, down by $8.72; Fabricated Metal Products, down by $8.28; Transportation Equipment, down by $7.53; and in Primary Metal Industries which showed a loss of $7.44 in Average Weekly Earnings over the month.

Average Weekly Earnings in Nondurable Goods decreased by $3.23 from September. The largest loss occurred in Petroleum and Coal Products, which lost $42.63 in Average Weekly Earnings from one month ago. There were some gains in Nondurables, the largest of which was in Food and Kindred Products, which rose by $8.35 over the month.

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THANKS, TEXAS EMPLOYERS!

As 1991 ends and we all look forward to the New Year, we at TEC wish to once again express our gratitude to all employers who are participating in our various programs which collect data from you. Your continued cooperation makes it possible for us to generate much of the information in this newsletter. We join with you in hoping that 1992 will be a better year for Texas and for all of you!

Texas Unemployment Rate Declines

The Texas actual (not seasonally adjusted) unemployment rate decreased between October and November, from 7.2 percent to 6.8 percent. The current rate was the same as the November 1990 rate. There were 579,600 jobless Texans in November 1991, down by over 36,000 from the October level. Total employment rose by over 60,000 between October and November, to an estimated 7,979,800 in mid-November. The downturn in unemployment over the month probably does not represent any real improvement in Texas economic conditions in November, but rather is a return to the general levels experienced in the past few months (with the exception of October, when the rates rose substantially). Much of the over-the-month employment increase was due to hiring for the Christmas rush.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate also fell over the month, from 7.9 percent to 6.6 percent. The seasonally adjusted U. S. jobless rate remained the same, at 6.8 percent.

Nonfarm Jobs Rise

Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment in Texas totaled 7,190,700 in November '91, which represented a growth of 14,100 jobs over the month. The over-the-year change was a gain of 70,900.

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Nov.'91	Oct. '91	Nov.'90
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	125,396.0	125,568.0	124,822.0
Unemployment	8,286.0	8,013.0	7,211.0
Percent Unemployed	**6.6%**	**6.4%**	**5.8%**
Total Employment	117,110.0	117,555.0	117,611.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	125,257.0	125,549.0	124,723.0
Unemployment	8,499.0	8,582.0	7,337.0
Percent Unemployed	**6.8%**	**6.8%**	**5.9%**
Total Employment	116,758.0	116,967.0	117,386.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,559.4	8,533.6	8,524.4
Unemployment	579.6	616.1	583.1
Percent Unemployed	**6.8%**	**7.2%**	**6.8%**
Total Employment	7,979.8	7,917.5	7,941.3
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,517.0	8,553.0	8,467.0
Unemployment	561.0	672.0	569.0
Percent Unemployed	**6.6%**	**7.9%**	**6.7%**
Total Employment	7,956.0	7,881.0	7,898.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Nov.'91*	Oct.'91**	Nov.'90**	Nov.'91*	Oct.'91**	Nov.'90**	Nov.'91*	Oct.'91**	Nov.'90**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	50,400	50,300	51,100	95,600	94,900	95,900	444,500	442,600	440,900
Total Unemployment	2,800	3,200	3,300	5,000	5,000	4,800	21,100	23,300	20,900
Percent Unemployed	5.6%	6.4%	6.5%	5.2%	5.3%	5.0%	4.7%	5.3%	4.7%
Total Employment ++	47,600	47,100	47,800	90,600	89,900	91,100	423,400	419,300	420,000
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	174,500	173,300	168,300	90,200	89,400	87,600	107,600	107,500	106,200
Total Unemployment	13,500	13,900	12,800	5,900	5,400	5,200	13,400	13,900	14,200
Percent Unemployed	7.7%	8.0%	7.6%	6.5%	6.0%	5.9%	12.5%	12.9%	13.4%
Total Employment ++	161,000	159,400	155,500	84,300	84,000	82,400	94,200	93,600	92,000
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	64,700	63,900	63,200	167,700	168,500	168,200	1,444.6	1,443.6	1,443.1
Total Unemployment	2,500	2,400	2,000	13,800	14,700	14,100	89.7	98.2	83.1
Percent Unemployed	3.9%	3.8%	3.2%	8.2%	8.7%	8.4%	6.2%	6.8%	5.8%
Total Employment ++	62,200	61,500	61,200	153,900	153,800	154,100	1,354.9	1,345.4	1,360.0
		EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
Total Civilian Labor Force	254,200	253,500	255,700	732,300	734,000	737,700	111,100	111,300	109,600
Total Unemployment	26,600	28,600	31,100	47,600	52,900	44,500	8,200	8,200	8,800
Percent Unemployed	10.5%	11.3%	12.2%	6.5%	7.2%	6.0%	7.4%	7.4%	8.0%
Total Employment ++	227,600	224,900	224,600	684,700	681,100	693,200	102,900	103,100	100,800
		HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,759.5	1,759.1	1,741.6	96,900	96,600	96,700	53,300	52,700	53,900
Total Unemployment	105.5	113.5	98.2	7,000	7,400	7,900	5,100	5,200	6,400
Percent Unemployed	6.0%	6.5%	5.6%	7.2%	7.7%	8.2%	9.6%	9.9%	11.9%
Total Employment ++	1,654.0	1,645.6	1,643.4	89,900	89,200	88,800	48,200	47,500	47,500
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION	
Total Civilian Labor Force	78,600	78,500	79,500	115,800	115,300	117,600	163,500	161,900	169,700
Total Unemployment	6,600	6,900	6,100	6,700	7,100	6,200	30,600	30,200	36,700
Percent Unemployed	8.4%	8.8%	7.7%	5.8%	6.2%	5.3%	18.7%	18.7%	21.6%
Total Employment ++	72,000	71,600	73,400	109,100	108,200	111,400	132,900	131,700	133,000
		MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	48,800	48,400	47,800	53,400	53,000	51,300	44,200	44,200	43,900
Total Unemployment	2,800	3,200	2,500	3,900	4,100	2,800	2,500	2,500	2,500
Percent Unemployed	5.7%	6.6%	5.2%	7.3%	7.7%	5.5%	5.7%	5.7%	5.7%
Total Employment ++	46,000	45,200	45,300	49,500	48,900	48,500	41,700	41,700	41,400
		SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
Total Civilian Labor Force	603,000	601,800	608,900	46,900	46,900	47,700	57,100	56,500	57,300
Total Unemployment	38,000	42,300	46,900	3,100	3,300	3,000	4,200	4,500	3,900
Percent Unemployed	6.3%	7.0%	7.7%	6.6%	7.0%	6.3%	7.4%	8.0%	6.8%
Total Employment ++	565,000	559,500	562,000	43,800	43,600	44,700	52,900	52,000	53,400
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	74,200	73,700	74,400	37,200	37,000	35,900	93,100	93,500	93,300
Total Unemployment	5,400	5,200	5,300	1,700	2,100	1,700	5,800	6,300	6,000
Percent Unemployed	7.3%	7.1%	7.1%	4.6%	5.7%	4.7%	6.2%	6.7%	6.4%
Total Employment ++	68,800	68,500	69,100	35,500	34,900	34,200	87,300	87,200	87,300
		WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	54,700	54,800	55,200				8,559.4	8,533.6	8,524.4
Total Unemployment	3,400	4,000	3,700				579.6	616.1	583.1
Percent Unemployed	6.2%	7.3%	6.7%				6.8%	7.2%	6.8%
Total Employment ++	51,300	50,800	51,500				7,979.8	7,917.5	7,941.3

+ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

* Preliminary – subject to revision. ** Revised. *** In Thousands.

Total **Nonmanufacturing** increased by 16,200 from October. At 6,218,400, this was up 87,400 from November '90.

Wholesale and Retail Trade showed the largest increase, up 10,700 from October. Much of this gain was due to jobs created for the Christmas rush, many of which will be deleted early in 1992. Three-fourths of the total November job additions were in Retail Trade, which was up 11,400 over the month. Large seasonal increases within Retail Trade occurred in General Merchandise, up by 4,700; in Other Retail Trade, up by 3,600; and in Apparel and Accessory Stores, up by 2,900. Food Stores rose by 800 over the month, while Building Materials and Supplies increased by 100. The only losses in Trade were seen in Wholesale Trade and in Eating and Drinking Places, both down by 700.

Government registered a sizeable gain of 7,500 from October. Local Government rose by 5,800, State Government increased by 1,600, while Federal Government was up by 100. The administrative portions of State and Local Government increased slightly in November. However, the largest growth was in education. Much of this increase was temporary or short term employment such as substitutes and student employment in jobs tied to grants.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate gained 500 jobs from October. The only loss in F.I.R.E. was in Depository Institutions, including Banks, which fell by 300. Insurance Carriers, Agents and Brokers and Other Finance, Insurance and Real Estate both had gains of 400 over the month.

Services increased by 500 from October. Large gains of 3,100 in Health Services and 1,100 in Personal Services were offset by losses in Business and Repair Services, down by 1,500; in Other Services and Miscellaneous, down by 1,300; in Amusement, including Motion Pictures, down by 800; and in Hotels and Other Lodging Places, down by 300.

Construction experienced a seasonal downturn in November with the advent of less favorable weather. The industry saw a loss of 2,300 jobs overall, with every segment of the business registering a decline but Heavy Construction Except Highway and Street, where a small gain was recorded.

Mining reported a loss of 400 over the month, with all of the loss showing up in Oil and Gas Extraction.

Transportation and Public Utilities decreased by 300 from October. Several sectors of Transportation reported no change

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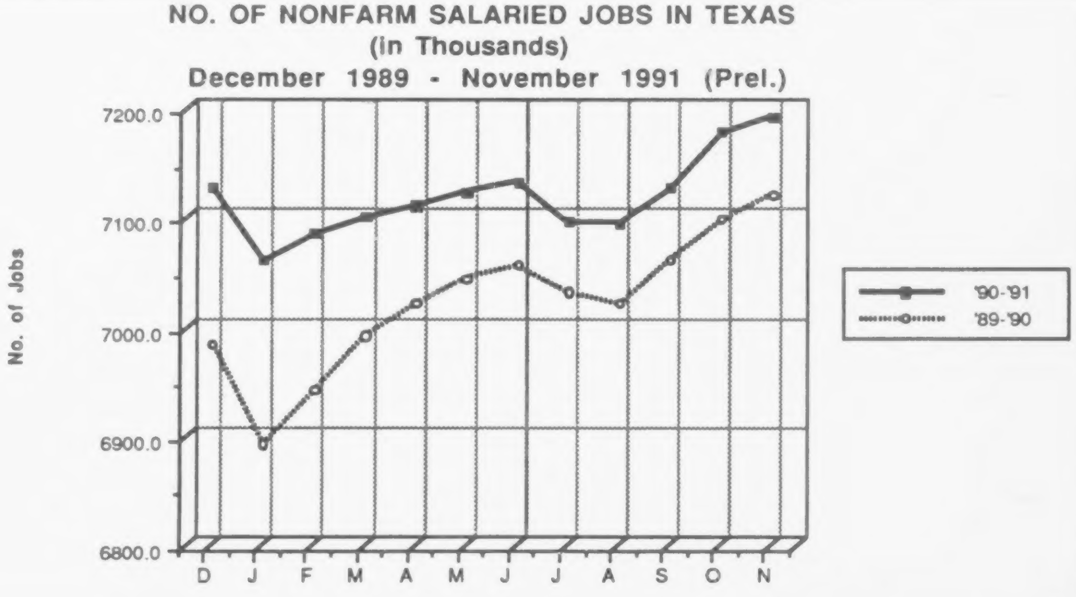

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	NOV. '91*	OCT. '91**	NOV. '90**	Chg. from OCT. '91	Chg. from NOV. '90
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,190,700**	**7,176,600**	**7,119,800**	**14,100**	**70,900**
MANUFACTURING	**972,300**	**974,400**	**988,800**	**-2,100**	**-16,500**
Durable Goods	**540,100**	**541,300**	**562,800**	**-1,200**	**-22,700**
Lumber & Wood Products	31,600	31,800	31,700	-200	-100
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	7,600	7,600	7,600	0	0
Furniture & Fixtures	15,300	15,300	16,000	0	-700
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	33,400	33,200	34,600	200	-1,200
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,000	14,000	15,100	0	-1,100
Primary Metal Industries	29,500	29,500	30,000	0	-500
Fabricated Metal Industries	80,100	80,400	82,100	-300	-2,000
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	39,000	39,200	40,400	-200	-1,400
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	111,400	112,700	115,900	-1,300	-4,500
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	26,300	26,700	27,200	-400	-900
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	96,900	96,700	103,400	200	-6,500
Transportation Equipment	86,200	86,200	94,300	0	-8,100
Aircraft & Parts	59,900	59,600	68,800	300	-8,900
Instruments & Related Prod.	39,300	39,000	39,000	300	300
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	16,400	16,500	15,800	-100	600
Nondurable Goods	**432,200**	**433,100**	**426,000**	**-900**	**6,200**
Food & Kindred Products	101,000	102,300	102,500	-1,300	-1,500
Meat Products	32,000	32,100	31,500	-100	500
Dairy Products	4,200	4,300	4,300	-100	-100
Bakery Products	9,600	9,700	9,800	-100	-200
Malt Beverages	3,100	3,100	3,000	0	100
Textile Mill Products	4,200	4,200	4,200	0	0
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	57,200	56,800	54,700	400	2,500
Paper & Allied Products	24,500	24,600	24,600	-100	-100
Printing & Publishing	74,800	74,500	75,000	300	-200
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	35,600	35,400	36,400	200	-800
Chemicals & Allied Products	89,600	89,700	85,200	-100	4,400
Petroleum & Coal Products	31,400	31,400	29,700	0	1,700
Petroleum Refining	28,200	28,200	26,400	0	1,800
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	42,300	42,400	42,600	-100	-300
Leather & Leather Products	7,100	7,100	7,400	0	-300
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,218,400**	**6,202,200**	**6,131,000**	**16,200**	**87,400**
Mining	**176,200**	**176,600**	**183,000**	**-400**	**-6,800**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,200	9,100	9,200	100	0
Oil & Gas Extraction	167,000	167,500	173,800	-500	-6,800
Construction	**346,100**	**348,400**	**338,300**	**-2,300**	**7,800**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**435,800**	**436,100**	**427,300**	**-300**	**8,500**
Railroad Transportation	18,100	18,100	18,600	0	-500
Other Transportation	250,500	250,800	240,900	-300	9,600
Transportation by Air	82,400	82,500	77,500	-100	4,900
Communications	88,200	88,200	89,000	0	-800
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	79,000	79,000	78,800	0	200
Electric Services	40,200	40,200	40,500	0	-300
Gas Production & Distribution	26,700	26,800	27,000	-100	-300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,735,000**	**1,724,300**	**1,723,800**	**10,700**	**11,200**
Wholesale Trade	421,300	422,000	423,500	-700	-2,200
Retail Trade	1,313,700	1,302,300	1,300,300	11,400	13,400
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	40,000	39,900	39,900	100	100
General Merchandise Stores	187,900	183,200	189,600	4,700	-1,700
Food Stores	240,600	239,800	238,500	800	2,100
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	138,400	138,400	138,400	0	0
Apparel & Accessory Stores	79,100	76,200	79,300	2,900	-200
Eating & Drinking Places	442,700	443,400	426,800	-700	15,900
Other Retail Trade	185,000	181,400	187,800	3,600	-2,800
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**428,300**	**427,800**	**429,200**	**500**	**-900**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	123,700	124,000	128,000	-300	-4,300
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	146,500	146,100	143,600	400	2,900
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	158,100	157,700	157,600	400	500
Services	**1,766,700**	**1,766,200**	**1,723,600**	**500**	**43,100**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	86,200	86,500	86,500	-300	-300
Personal Services	81,300	80,200	78,400	1,100	2,900
Business & Repair Services	448,700	450,200	449,800	-1,500	-1,100
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	75,600	76,400	75,800	-800	-200
Health Services	513,900	510,800	478,900	3,100	35,000
Educational Services	89,400	89,200	89,100	200	300
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	154,400	154,400	152,900	0	1,500
Other Services & Miscellaneous	317,200	318,500	312,200	-1,300	5,000
Total Government	**1,330,300**	**1,322,800**	**1,305,800**	**7,500**	**24,500**
Federal Government	205,200	205,100	199,300	100	5,900
State Government	302,000	300,400	287,400	1,600	14,600
Local Government	823,100	817,300	819,100	5,800	4,000

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT + TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Nov.'91*	Oct. '91**	Nov.'90**	Nov.'91*	Oct.'91**	Nov.'90**	Nov.'91*	Oct.'91**	Nov.'90**	Nov.'91*	Oct.'91**	Nov.'90**
Industry	**ABILENE**			**AMARILLO**			**AUSTIN**			**BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR**		
TOTAL	**48,900**	**48,800**	**48,700**	**78,300**	**78,500**	**78,700**	**385,600**	**384,400**	**385,200**	**152,100**	**151,400**	**146,100**
Manufacturing	4,500	4,400	4,500	9,000	9,100	8,900	48,900	48,700	49,400	26,200	26,100	25,600
Mining	1,400	1,500	1,500	900	900	1,100	700	700	700	1,900	1,900	1,900
Construction	1,600	1,600	1,500	3,000	3,000	3,200	12,300	12,300	12,200	15,100	15,000	12,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,800	5,600	5,600	5,500	12,200	12,300	12,000	9,600	9,600	9,600
Trade	12,700	12,700	12,800	22,800	22,800	22,700	77,300	76,800	77,700	34,200	33,700	33,500
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	2,000	1,900	4,100	4,200	4,400	23,100	23,300	23,400	5,500	5,500	5,400
Services & Misc.	14,700	14,600	14,500	17,800	17,900	17,700	100,200	99,900	98,100	37,700	37,700	36,200
Government	9,200	9,200	9,200	15,100	15,000	15,200	110,900	110,400	111,700	21,900	21,900	21,600
	BRAZORIA			**BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN**			**BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION**			**CORPUS CHRISTI**		
TOTAL	**68,900**	**69,000**	**67,200**	**77,800**	**78,000**	**75,200**	**57,400**	**57,100**	**56,300**	**138,100**	**138,900**	**137,900**
Manufacturing	16,900	17,100	16,800	12,100	12,100	11,200	3,500	3,500	3,500	12,400	12,400	12,400
Mining	1,900	1,900	2,000	—	—	—	600	500	600	4,000	4,000	4,100
Construction	9,300	9,600	8,800	2,400	2,400	2,200	1,800	1,800	1,700	11,700	11,900	13,100
Trans., Comm. & Util.	3,100	3,100	2,900	3,500	3,500	3,200	1,400	1,400	1,300	5,600	5,600	5,600
Trade	13,200	12,900	12,700	20,800	20,900	20,200	11,900	11,400	11,400	32,200	32,500	32,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,800	1,800	1,800	3,700	3,700	3,400	1,800	1,800	1,900	6,100	6,100	6,300
Services & Misc.	9,900	10,000	9,700	17,800	17,900	17,200	10,900	10,700	10,800	33,800	34,100	32,700
Government	12,800	12,600	12,500	17,500	17,500	17,800	25,500	26,000	25,100	31,300	31,300	30,600
	DALLAS ***			**EL PASO**			**FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON**			**GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY**		
TOTAL	**1,383.5**	**1,381.2**	**1,386.5**	**211,700**	**210,900**	**210,100**	**595,500**	**586,300**	**592,200**	**77,100**	**77,800**	**76,500**
Manufacturing	211.2	211.1	220.0	41,000	41,400	42,600	102,800	103,300	116,600	8,500	8,500	8,800
Mining	17.7	17.8	17.9	—	—	—	4,400	4,400	4,600	700	700	800
Construction	44.9	45.7	47.5	7,700	7,700	7,900	20,700	21,800	22,300	4,100	4,200	4,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	85.0	85.1	83.5	10,700	10,700	10,800	58,000	58,100	56,300	5,200	5,500	5,300
Trade	361.4	357.4	359.5	53,500	52,600	52,400	152,000	150,700	152,400	15,300	15,400	15,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	122.2	122.5	124.1	8,300	8,100	8,400	26,600	26,600	27,100	5,100	5,100	5,100
Services & Misc.	375.8	377.3	370.8	44,800	44,800	43,700	140,600	141,100	135,700	15,000	15,200	14,700
Government	165.3	164.3	163.2	45,700	45,600	44,300	80,400	80,300	77,200	23,200	23,200	22,700
	HOUSTON ***			**KILLEEN-TEMPLE**			**LAREDO**			**LONGVIEW-MARSHALL**		
TOTAL	**1,639.4**	**1,640.7**	**1,622.1**	**75,300**	**74,900**	**73,300**	**45,400**	**45,100**	**45,100**	**69,100**	**69,100**	**69,500**
Manufacturing	176.4	176.9	176.7	8,700	8,700	8,900	1,500	1,500	1,700	15,800	15,900	16,000
Mining	69.5	70.5	70.5	—	—	—	1,800	1,800	1,800	3,300	3,300	3,500
Construction	109.4	110.2	111.2	2,400	2,400	2,400	1,200	1,200	1,300	4,100	4,100	3,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	112.3	112.9	111.5	2,500	2,500	2,500	6,400	6,400	6,200	3,600	3,600	3,500
Trade	377.6	375.5	376.0	16,900	16,600	15,900	14,100	13,800	14,400	16,900	16,900	17,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	100.2	100.7	103.1	3,400	3,400	3,400	1,700	1,700	1,800	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	475.7	476.8	462.6	18,000	18,000	17,400	8,200	8,300	7,900	14,200	14,100	14,100
Government	218.3	217.2	210.5	23,400	23,300	22,800	10,500	10,400	10,000	8,600	8,600	8,900
	LUBBOCK			**MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION**			**MIDLAND**			**ODESSA**		
TOTAL	**98,600**	**98,800**	**100,300**	**104,600**	**104,700**	**103,200**	**45,800**	**45,300**	**44,800**	**45,700**	**45,400**	**44,500**
Manufacturing	6,800	6,900	7,100	12,800	12,900	13,900	2,400	2,400	2,300	4,700	4,600	4,300
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	900	9,100	8,800	9,200	5,200	5,100	5,400
Construction	3,900	4,000	3,300	4,500	4,500	4,500	1,500	1,500	1,400	2,500	2,400	2,200
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,400	5,300	5,700	3,100	3,100	3,200	2,500	2,500	2,400	2,100	2,200	2,000
Trade	28,200	28,300	29,000	32,600	32,600	32,000	11,000	10,900	10,600	12,900	12,800	12,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	5,500	5,600	5,500	3,900	3,900	4,000	2,100	2,100	2,300	1,300	1,300	1,500
Services & Misc.	24,900	24,900	25,600	18,500	18,500	18,100	9,900	9,800	9,500	8,800	8,600	8,200
Government	23,700	23,600	23,900	28,400	28,400	26,600	7,300	7,300	7,100	8,400	8,400	8,100
	SAN ANGELO			**SAN ANTONIO**			**SHERMAN-DENISON**			**TEXARKANA**		
TOTAL	**37,000**	**37,500**	**36,700**	**526,200**	**523,900**	**523,900**	**37,700**	**37,600**	**38,400**	**46,900**	**46,800**	**46,800**
Manufacturing	5,100	5,100	5,000	43,900	43,400	43,400	10,500	10,400	11,000	6,500	6,600	7,100
Mining	300	300	500	1,800	1,800	1,900	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,200	22,300	22,500	22,100	1,300	1,300	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,600	2,600	22,600	22,600	21,900	1,500	1,600	1,600	2,500	2,500	2,400
Trade	9,000	9,400	9,100	132,700	132,000	132,600	8,000	8,000	8,000	11,000	10,900	11,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,600	37,400	37,500	39,100	2,100	2,100	2,100	1,700	1,700	1,800
Services & Misc.	9,400	9,600	9,000	141,600	141,100	140,400	9,700	9,700	9,700	11,600	11,500	11,200
Government	7,800	7,800	7,700	123,900	123,000	122,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	12,000	12,000	11,700
	TYLER			**VICTORIA**			**WACO**			**WICHITA FALLS**		
TOTAL	**63,100**	**63,200**	**62,700**	**30,100**	**29,600**	**28,500**	**83,600**	**83,600**	**82,400**	**50,400**	**50,100**	**50,400**
Manufacturing	11,000	11,000	11,100	3,200	3,100	3,100	15,400	15,500	15,500	8,200	8,100	8,300
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,600	1,600	1,600	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,800	1,800	1,500	3,300	3,200	3,000	1,800	1,700	1,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,900	2,900	2,800	1,400	1,400	1,400	3,400	3,400	3,500	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	16,000	15,900	16,100	7,900	7,800	7,600	19,300	19,200	19,200	11,600	11,500	11,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,300	3,400	3,500	1,600	1,600	1,600	5,200	5,200	5,300	2,100	2,100	2,100
Services & Misc.	16,500	16,500	15,900	6,900	6,800	6,400	23,300	23,400	22,600	12,900	12,900	12,600
Government	9,800	9,900	9,700	5,700	5,500	5,300	13,700	13,700	13,300	9,700	9,700	9,700

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✤

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Nov.'91*	Oct.'91	Nov.'90	Nov.'91*	Oct.'91	Nov.'90	Nov.'91*	Oct.'91	Nov.'90
				FOR TEXAS					
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 469.27	$ 461.25	$ 444.16	42.7	42.2	42.1	$ 10.99	$10.93	$10.55
Durable Goods	455.18	449.01	436.72	42.5	42.2	42.4	10.71	10.64	10.30
Lumber & Wood Products	320.54	329.84	313.02	42.4	43.4	42.3	7.56	7.60	7.40
Furniture & Fixtures	316.20	314.06	280.62	40.8	41.0	38.6	7.75	7.66	7.27
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	416.24	417.85	425.75	43.0	43.3	43.4	9.68	9.65	9.81
Primary Metal Industries	509.01	495.32	512.11	43.1	42.7	44.3	11.81	11.60	11.56
Fabricated Metal Products	434.73	424.42	421.61	43.0	42.4	43.6	10.11	10.01	9.67
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	454.03	448.31	453.33	43.2	42.9	43.8	10.51	10.45	10.35
Oil Field Machinery	556.71	557.13	608.40	48.2	48.7	52.0	11.55	11.44	11.70
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	453.20	446.62	461.89	41.2	40.2	41.8	11.00	11.11	11.05
Transportation Equipment	624.45	614.13	529.43	42.8	42.5	40.2	14.59	14.45	13.17
Instruments & Related Prod.	434.30	429.53	406.55	41.6	41.5	40.9	10.44	10.35	9.94
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	310.08	319.95	310.08	39.5	40.5	40.8	7.85	7.90	7.60
Nondurable Goods	485.20	475.17	452.45	42.9	42.2	41.7	11.31	11.26	10.85
Food & Kindred Products	400.43	387.43	373.23	44.1	43.0	42.9	9.08	9.01	8.70
Meat Products	306.80	292.50	277.30	44.4	42.7	42.4	6.91	6.85	6.54
Malt Beverages	886.67	840.66	965.71	45.1	43.4	50.8	19.66	19.37	19.01
Textile Mill Products	383.04	373.80	324.21	45.6	44.5	41.3	8.40	8.40	7.85
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	232.99	226.55	208.00	37.7	37.2	36.3	6.18	6.09	5.73
Paper & Allied Products	535.81	518.32	492.84	44.8	44.0	44.4	11.96	11.78	11.10
Printing & Publishing	454.31	446.88	427.05	40.6	39.9	39.8	11.19	11.20	10.73
Chemicals & Allied Products	767.13	760.84	729.08	45.5	45.1	44.0	16.86	16.87	16.57
Petroleum & Coal Products	816.56	792.10	812.73	45.9	44.4	47.5	17.79	17.84	17.11
Petroleum Refining	847.32	818.66	851.18	46.1	44.3	47.9	18.38	18.48	17.77
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	411.70	408.59	379.96	43.2	43.1	40.9	9.53	9.48	9.29
Leather & Leather Products	279.14	278.28	275.67	41.6	42.1	40.6	6.71	6.61	6.79
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	665.74	645.38	638.45	46.2	45.1	46.5	14.41	14.31	13.73
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	656.88	664.07	632.26	48.3	49.3	50.5	13.60	13.47	12.52
Oil & Gas Extraction	665.62	644.22	638.48	46.0	44.8	46.2	14.47	14.38	13.82
Communications	538.77	534.66	544.82	38.9	38.8	41.4	13.85	13.78	13.16
Elec., Gas & San. Services	575.33	569.53	553.62	41.6	41.3	42.1	13.83	13.79	13.15
Wholesale & Retail Trade	250.00	248.58	241.71	32.3	32.2	32.1	7.74	7.72	7.53
Wholesale Trade	442.89	438.99	427.85	39.9	39.8	39.8	11.10	11.03	10.75
Retail Trade	194.15	192.26	186.55	30.1	29.9	29.8	6.45	6.43	6.26
General Merchandise Stores	197.56	193.70	184.14	30.3	29.8	29.7	6.52	6.50	6.20
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	321.26	322.66	312.54	36.3	36.5	36.3	8.85	8.84	8.61

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 451.50	$ 441.32	$ 425.79	42.0	41.4	41.5	$ 10.75	$ 10.66	$ 10.26
Durable Goods	464.39	453.87	446.48	41.5	41.0	42.2	11.19	11.07	10.58
Nondurable Goods	429.56	420.42	391.48	42.7	42.0	40.4	10.06	10.01	9.69
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	495.60	490.88	454.50	42.0	41.6	40.4	11.80	11.80	11.25
Durable Goods	517.88	517.90	470.30	41.9	41.8	40.3	12.36	12.39	11.67
Nondurable Goods	450.05	438.37	418.18	42.1	41.2	40.6	10.69	10.64	10.30
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	558.69	560.70	562.25	44.2	44.5	45.6	12.64	12.60	12.33
Durable Goods	476.54	474.56	479.07	43.8	43.9	45.8	10.88	10.81	10.46
Nondurable Goods	660.67	667.15	666.36	44.7	45.2	45.3	14.78	14.76	14.71
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	340.30	339.49	325.19	41.0	41.3	40.7	8.30	8.22	7.99
Durable Goods	346.42	346.94	335.30	40.9	41.7	41.6	8.47	8.32	8.06
Nondurable Goods	334.14	331.30	315.22	41.1	40.8	39.8	8.13	8.12	7.92

✤Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

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over the month, while most of the loss occurred in Other Transportation.

Manufacturing declined by 2,100 from October. At 972,300, this was down 16,500 from one year ago. **Durable Goods** lost 1,200 jobs over the month. The largest loss in Durables was in Industrial Machinery and Equipment, down 1,300 from October. Other smaller losses were found in Fabricated Metal Industries, down by 300, Lumber and Wood Products, down by 200, and in Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries, down by 100. Some small gains in Durables were seen in Instruments and Related Products, up by 300 and in Stone, Clay and Glass Products and in Electronic and Other Electrical Equipment, both up by 200 over the month.

Nondurable Goods lost 900 jobs from October. The largest decline was in Food and Kindred Products, which was down by 1,300. The majority of this loss was observed in Preserved Fruits and Vegetables, where a seasonal decline in business resulted in layoffs by major producers. The only increases in Nondurables were in Apparel and Other Finished Textile Products, up by 400, and in Printing and Publishing, up by 300 over the month.

Average Weekly Earnings Increase

For the estimated 637,400 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings increased by six cents from October to November 1991. Average Weekly Hours were up by five-tenths of an hour, as Average Weekly Earnings increased by $8.02 over the month. This was $25.11 above the November 1990 level of $444.16 per week.

In mid-November a worker, on average, was earning $10.99 per hour for a 42.7-hour week, and making $469.27 in weekly earnings. This compares with $10.93 per hour for a 42.2-hour week, at $461.25 in Average Weekly Earnings one month ago. The year-ago figures were $10.55 per hour for a 42.1-hour week, with $444.16 in Average Weekly Earnings.

The largest increase in Average Weekly Earnings was in Nondurable Goods, up by $10.03 over the month. The most significant rise was in Malt Beverages (part of Food and Kindred Products), which was up by $46.01 from October. This was due to more overtime worked by major breweries. Average Weekly Earnings in Durable Goods increased by $6.17 over the month.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	NOV.'91	NOV.'90
Total Population	17,350,100*	17,196,200*
% UI Covered Unemployment	1.8	1.5
UI Covered Employers	327,557	318,547
Total Claims Actions	633,112	572,634
Total Initial Claims Actions	74,927	74,918
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	558,185	497,716
Total Placements	not available	32,289
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$164.76	$156.63
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	$70,865,814	$59,949,840

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**Regular State UI benefits.

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JOB GROWTH INCREASES

Jobless Rate Declines

The number of unemployed Texans declined by 4,400 between November and December in the actual (not seasonally adjusted) series. The December actual unemployment rate for the State was 6.7 percent, down from 6.8 percent in November, but up from the year-ago rate of 6.5 percent. There were an estimated 575,200 Texans looking for work in mid-December, while total employment rose over the month to a level of 7,986,800.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate rose from 6.6 percent in November to 7.1 percent in December. In December 1990 the rate was 7.0 percent. The U. S. seasonally adjusted rate was also up over the month, from 6.8 percent in November to 7.1 percent in December. The year-ago rate was 6.1 percent. The actual rate for the Nation rose from 6.6 percent in November to 6.8 percent in December. The year-ago rate was 5.9 percent.

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs Increase

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs increased by 5,100 between November and December. **Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment** in Texas totaled 7,193,000 in December '91. This was an increase of 67,500 jobs over the year.

Total **Nonmanufacturing** rose by 6,100 from November. At 6,222,400, this was up 83,300 from December '90.

Wholesale and Retail Trade reported the largest increase, up by 14,500 from November. Retail Trade was up by 13,300 due to seasonal Christmas hiring. Within Retail Trade, General Merchandise stores increased by 4,900; Apparel and Accessory Stores rose by 4,100; Other Retail Trade was up by 3,100; and Eating and Drinking Places increased by 1,700. A smaller increase occurred in Food Stores which was up by 800. Wholesale Trade increased by 1,200 over the month. A decrease of 800 was found in Automotive Dealers and Service Stations, while Building Materials and Garden Supplies lost 500 from November.

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Dec.'91	Nov. '91	Dec.'90
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	125,108.0	125,396.0	124,630.0
Unemployment	8,559.0	8,286.0	7,343.0
Percent Unemployed	**6.8%**	**6.6%**	**5.9%**
Total Employment	116,549.0	117,110.0	117,287.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	125,619.0	125,257.0	125,174.0
Unemployment	8,891.0	8,499.0	7,600.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.1%**	**6.8%**	**6.1%**
Total Employment	116,728.0	116,758.0	117,574.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,562.0	8,559.4	8,521.5
Unemployment	575.2	579.6	556.7
Percent Unemployed	**6.7%**	**6.8%**	**6.5%**
Total Employment	7,986.8	7,979.8	7,964.8
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,596.0	8,517.0	8,540.0
Unemployment	613.0	561.0	595.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.1%**	**6.6%**	**7.0%**
Total Employment	7,983.0	7,956.0	7,945.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Dec.'91*	Nov.'91**	Dec.'90**	Dec.'91*	Nov.'91**	Dec.'90**	Dec.'91*	Nov.'91**	Dec.'90**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	50,900	50,800	51,300	96,000	96,200	96,400	444,100	444,100	439,400
Total Unemployment	2,700	2,800	3,000	4,900	5,000	4,900	20,800	21,000	20,300
Percent Unemployed	5.3%	5.5%	5.8%	5.1%	5.2%	5.1%	4.7%	4.7%	4.6%
Total Employment ++	48,200	48,000	48,300	91,100	91,200	91,500	423,300	423,100	419,100
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	175,200	174,700	168,800	90,200	90,100	88,200	107,700	107,800	107,300
Total Unemployment	13,500	13,400	12,100	5,800	5,900	5,200	13,100	13,600	14,500
Percent Unemployed	7.7%	7.7%	7.2%	6.4%	6.5%	5.9%	12.2%	12.6%	13.5%
Total Employment ++	161,700	161,300	156,700	84,400	84,200	83,000	94,600	94,200	92,800
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	63,900	64,800	63,700	169,000	168,000	167,900	1,446.7	1,441.8	1,438.6
Total Unemployment	2,400	2,500	2,300	14,300	13,800	13,200	92.2	89.2	77.8
Percent Unemployed	3.8%	3.9%	3.6%	8.5%	8.2%	7.9%	6.4%	6.2%	5.4%
Total Employment ++	61,500	62,300	61,400	154,700	154,200	154,700	1,354.5	1,352.6	1,360.8
		EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
Total Civilian Labor Force	254,000	253,500	254,200	731,900	731,300	737,600	110,700	110,800	108,900
Total Unemployment	25,800	26,600	28,600	47,500	47,300	41,800	8,300	8,100	8,500
Percent Unemployed	10.2%	10.5%	11.3%	6.5%	6.5%	5.7%	7.5%	7.3%	7.8%
Total Employment ++	228,200	226,900	225,600	684,400	684,000	695,800	102,400	102,700	100,400
		HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,767.8	1,764.5	1,752.9	97,200	97,300	96,300	53,100	53,400	54,700
Total Unemployment	106.9	105.2	94.5	7,000	7,100	7,500	5,000	5,200	6,700
Percent Unemployed	6.0%	6.0%	5.4%	7.2%	7.3%	7.8%	9.4%	9.7%	12.2%
Total Employment ++	1,660.9	1,659.3	1,658.4	90,200	90,200	88,800	48,100	48,200	48,000
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION	
Total Civilian Labor Force	79,300	78,900	79,300	116,200	115,600	116,900	160,300	163,800	170,500
Total Unemployment	6,700	6,600	5,700	6,500	6,600	5,500	26,200	31,200	36,000
Percent Unemployed	8.4%	8.4%	7.2%	5.6%	5.7%	4.7%	16.3%	19.0%	21.1%
Total Employment ++	72,600	72,300	73,600	109,700	109,000	111,400	134,100	132,600	134,500
		MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	48,800	48,800	48,200	53,900	53,400	51,500	44,100	44,200	43,700
Total Unemployment	2,600	2,800	2,300	3,800	3,900	2,800	2,500	2,500	2,100
Percent Unemployed	5.3%	5.7%	4.8%	7.1%	7.3%	5.4%	5.7%	5.7%	4.8%
Total Employment ++	46,200	46,000	45,900	50,100	49,500	48,700	41,600	41,700	41,600
		SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
Total Civilian Labor Force	604,300	602,300	606,000	46,900	46,800	47,400	57,000	56,900	57,100
Total Unemployment	38,100	38,000	43,300	3,100	3,000	2,800	4,200	4,100	3,600
Percent Unemployed	6.3%	6.3%	7.1%	6.6%	6.4%	5.9%	7.4%	7.2%	6.3%
Total Employment ++	566,200	564,300	562,700	43,800	43,800	44,600	52,800	52,800	53,500
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	74,500	74,200	75,000	37,400	37,200	36,200	93,000	93,200	93,400
Total Unemployment	5,200	5,300	5,100	1,900	1,700	1,800	5,900	5,800	5,400
Percent Unemployed	7.0%	7.1%	6.8%	5.1%	4.6%	5.0%	6.3%	6.2%	5.8%
Total Employment ++	69,300	68,900	69,900	35,500	35,500	34,400	87,100	87,400	88,000
		WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	54,700	54,600	55,300				8,562.0	8,559.4	8,521.5
Total Unemployment	3,500	3,500	3,600				575.2	579.6	556.7
Percent Unemployed	6.4%	6.4%	6.5%				6.7%	6.8%	6.5%
Total Employment ++	51,200	51,100	51,700				7,986.8	7,979.8	7,964.8

✚ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

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The only other Nonmanufacturing sector to report a gain was **Mining**, which increased by 400. This was due to an increase of 400 found in Oil and Gas Extraction.

The largest loss in Nonmanufacturing occurred in **Services**, which lost 3,900 over the month. Declining the most within Services was Educational Services, down by 2,100 over the month due to the holiday breaks. Other Services and Miscellaneous lost 1,300, while Business and Repair Services decreased by 1,000. Hotels and Other Lodging Places lost 400, while Amusement, Including Motion Pictures was down by 200 from November. The largest gain in Services was found in Health Services, which rose by 700 over the month. Personal Services increased by 300, while Engineering and Management Services went up by 100 from November.

Construction lost 3,500 jobs over the month. Very wet weather contributed to this seasonal decline, with the most significant decrease being found in Heavy Construction Other Than Building Construction.

Total **Government** declined by 900 from November. This was a result of State Government losing 3,200 jobs. Layoffs of part-time student workers accounted for a significant drop in jobs in State Education, as schools closed for their winter break. Local Government showed a gain of 1,300, due in part to the lifting of several hiring freezes. Federal Government increased by 1,000. This growth was concentrated largely in postal services which traditionally have larger workloads at this time of year.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate declined by 500 over the month. Depository Institutions, Including Banks lost 500, while Other Finance, Insurance and Real Estate declined by 200 from November. Insurance Carriers, Agents and Brokers showed the only gain in F.I.R.E., increasing by 200 over the month.

Transportation and Public Utilities remained the same, at 436,100. This was up 7,500 from a year ago.

Manufacturing registered an over-the-month loss of 1,000 jobs from November. At 970,600, this was down by 15,800 from one year ago.

Durable Goods decreased by 1,500 from November. Losses of 400 each were found in Lumber and Wood Products and in Primary Metal Industries. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries was down by 300.

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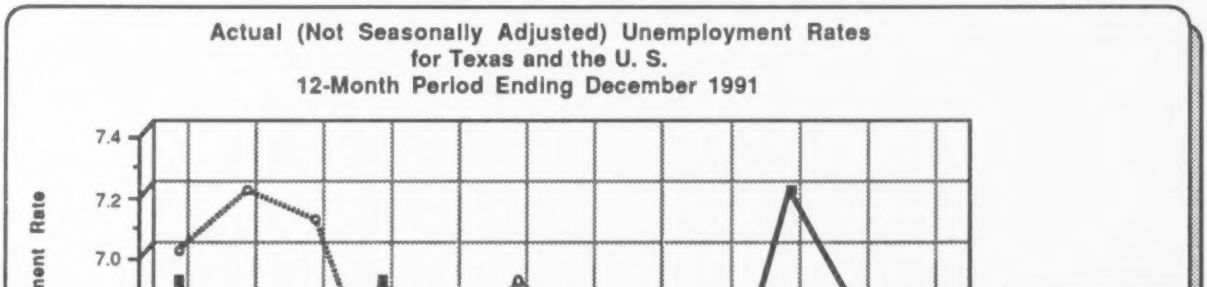

Actual (Not Seasonally Adjusted) Unemployment Rates for Texas and the U. S. 12-Month Period Ending December 1991

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	DEC. '91*	NOV. '91**	DEC. '90**	Chg. from NOV. '91	Chg. from DEC. '90
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,193,000**	**7,187,900**	**7,125,500**	**5,100**	**67,500**
MANUFACTURING	**970,600**	**971,600**	**986,400**	**-1,000**	**-15,800**
Durable Goods	**538,300**	**539,800**	**561,100**	**-1,500**	**-22,800**
Lumber & Wood Products	31,400	31,800	31,800	-400	-400
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	7,600	7,600	7,700	0	-100
Furniture & Fixtures	15,200	15,200	15,600	0	-400
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	33,300	33,400	34,300	-100	-1,000
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,000	14,000	14,700	0	-700
Primary Metal Industries	29,200	29,600	30,000	-400	-800
Fabricated Metal Industries	80,100	80,200	82,200	-100	-2,100
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	39,000	39,000	40,300	0	-1,300
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	111,400	111,600	115,600	-200	-4,200
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	25,900	26,200	27,400	-300	-1,500
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	96,100	96,300	102,900	-200	-6,800
Transportation Equipment	86,400	86,200	94,100	200	-7,700
Aircraft & Parts	59,900	59,900	68,700	0	-8,800
Instruments & Related Prod.	39,300	39,300	39,000	0	300
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	15,900	16,200	15,600	-300	300
Nondurable Goods	**432,300**	**431,800**	**425,300**	**500**	**7,000**
Food & Kindred Products	101,400	101,100	102,800	300	-1,400
Meat Products	32,100	32,000	31,600	100	500
Dairy Products	4,200	4,200	4,200	0	0
Bakery Products	9,800	9,700	9,800	100	0
Malt Beverages	3,200	3,100	3,000	100	200
Textile Mill Products	4,100	4,100	4,200	0	-100
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	57,300	57,300	54,200	0	3,100
Paper & Allied Products	24,500	24,600	24,700	-100	-200
Printing & Publishing	75,000	74,800	74,700	200	300
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	35,900	35,600	36,000	300	-100
Chemicals & Allied Products	89,400	89,200	85,300	200	4,100
Petroleum & Coal Products	31,400	31,400	29,800	0	1,600
Petroleum Refining	28,300	28,200	26,500	100	1,800
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	42,000	42,100	42,200	-100	-200
Leather & Leather Products	7,100	7,100	7,300	0	-200
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,222,400**	**6,216,300**	**6,139,100**	**6,100**	**83,300**
Mining	**176,500**	**176,100**	**183,800**	**400**	**-7,300**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,200	9,200	9,300	0	-100
Oil & Gas Extraction	167,300	166,900	174,500	400	-7,200
Construction	**342,600**	**346,100**	**338,400**	**-3,500**	**4,200**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**436,100**	**436,100**	**428,600**	**0**	**7,500**
Railroad Transportation	18,000	18,100	18,600	-100	-600
Other Transportation	250,800	251,000	242,100	-200	8,700
Transportation by Air	82,700	83,000	77,200	-300	5,500
Communications	88,300	88,000	88,900	300	-600
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	79,000	79,000	79,000	0	0
Electric Services	40,200	40,200	40,500	0	-300
Gas Production & Distribution	26,500	26,700	27,100	-200	-600
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,746,900**	**1,732,400**	**1,733,100**	**14,500**	**13,800**
Wholesale Trade	422,300	421,100	423,500	1,200	-1,200
Retail Trade	1,324,600	1,311,300	1,309,600	13,300	15,000
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	39,400	39,900	40,300	-500	-900
General Merchandise Stores	191,500	186,600	195,000	4,900	-3,500
Food Stores	241,500	240,700	239,700	800	1,800
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	137,300	138,100	137,700	-800	-400
Apparel & Accessory Stores	83,000	78,900	83,000	4,100	0
Eating & Drinking Places	444,900	443,200	424,900	1,700	20,000
Other Retail Trade	187,000	183,900	189,000	3,100	-2,000
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**426,800**	**427,300**	**428,600**	**-500**	**-1,800**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	123,500	124,000	127,700	-500	-4,200
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	146,400	146,200	143,500	200	2,900
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	156,900	157,100	157,400	-200	-500
Services	**1,762,800**	**1,766,700**	**1,724,600**	**-3,900**	**38,200**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	85,900	86,300	86,200	-400	-300
Personal Services	81,300	81,000	79,200	300	2,100
Business & Repair Services	447,200	448,200	449,500	-1,000	-2,300
Amusement, Including Motion Pictures	75,000	75,200	75,700	-200	-700
Health Services	514,800	514,100	482,700	700	32,100
Educational Services	88,400	90,500	87,500	-2,100	900
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	154,400	154,300	152,200	100	2,200
Other Services & Miscellaneous	315,800	317,100	311,600	-1,300	4,200
Total Government	**1,330,700**	**1,331,600**	**1,302,000**	**-900**	**28,700**
Federal Government	206,100	205,100	199,000	1,000	7,100
State Government	298,400	301,600	284,100	-3,200	14,300
Local Government	826,200	824,900	818,900	1,300	7,300

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT + TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Dec.'91*	Nov. '91**	Dec.'90**	Dec.'91*	Nov.'91**	Dec.'90**	Dec.'91*	Nov.'91**	Dec.'90**	Dec.'91*	Nov.'91**	Dec.'90**
Industry	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
TOTAL	**49,500**	**49,200**	**49,100**	**78,700**	**78,800**	**78,600**	**386,300**	**386,000**	**383,500**	**152,200**	**152,000**	**146,600**
Manufacturing	4,500	4,500	4,500	8,900	9,000	9,000	48,900	48,800	49,300	26,000	26,000	25,600
Mining	1,500	1,400	1,500	900	900	1,100	700	700	700	1,900	1,900	1,900
Construction	1,600	1,600	1,600	2,900	3,000	3,100	12,300	12,300	12,000	15,000	15,200	12,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,600	2,600	2,600	5,600	5,600	5,400	12,400	12,400	12,100	9,700	9,600	9,600
Trade	13,300	13,100	13,000	23,100	22,900	22,900	79,500	77,900	78,400	34,300	34,000	33,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	2,000	1,900	4,200	4,100	4,400	23,100	23,100	23,400	5,500	5,500	5,400
Services & Misc.	14,600	14,600	14,500	18,000	18,100	17,700	99,800	100,200	97,200	37,900	37,900	36,400
Government	9,200	9,200	9,300	15,100	15,200	15,000	109,600	110,600	110,400	21,900	21,900	21,700
	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	**68,800**	**68,800**	**67,200**	**78,200**	**77,800**	**75,500**	**56,900**	**57,400**	**56,200**	**139,100**	**139,100**	**138,600**
Manufacturing	17,000	16,900	16,800	12,000	12,100	11,200	3,600	3,500	3,400	12,600	12,500	12,600
Mining	1,900	1,900	2,000	—	—	—	500	600	600	4,000	4,000	4,100
Construction	9,000	9,300	8,800	2,300	2,400	2,100	1,700	1,800	1,800	12,000	12,000	13,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	3,100	3,100	3,000	3,500	3,500	3,200	1,400	1,400	1,300	6,500	6,600	6,600
Trade	13,400	13,200	12,800	21,000	20,800	20,400	11,700	11,900	11,400	32,500	32,500	32,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,800	1,800	1,800	3,700	3,700	3,400	1,800	1,800	1,800	6,100	6,100	6,300
Services & Misc.	9,800	9,800	9,600	18,000	17,800	17,400	10,900	10,900	10,700	33,900	34,000	32,900
Government	12,800	12,800	12,400	17,700	17,500	17,800	25,300	25,500	25,200	31,500	31,400	30,800
	DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	**1,384.2**	**1,383.0**	**1,387.3**	**212,500**	**211,500**	**210,900**	**585,600**	**585,800**	**593,700**	**76,900**	**77,000**	**76,100**
Manufacturing	211.0	211.0	218.9	41,000	40,800	42,200	102,100	102,500	116,100	8,500	8,500	8,700
Mining	17.6	17.7	17.9	—	—	—	4,400	4,400	4,600	600	700	700
Construction	43.9	44.7	47.2	7,800	7,700	7,900	20,300	20,900	22,200	4,100	4,100	4,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	85.0	85.0	83.1	10,700	10,700	10,900	58,200	57,900	56,200	5,300	5,200	5,100
Trade	364.0	361.2	362.4	54,600	53,600	53,400	152,700	152,300	153,500	15,400	15,300	14,900
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	122.2	122.2	124.3	8,200	8,200	8,400	26,300	26,500	27,100	5,100	5,100	5,100
Services & Misc.	375.0	375.9	370.5	44,500	44,700	43,900	140,600	140,400	136,500	14,700	14,900	14,600
Government	165.5	165.3	163.0	45,700	45,800	44,200	81,000	80,900	77,500	23,200	23,200	22,700
	HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	**1,643.0**	**1,642.3**	**1,630.3**	**74,900**	**75,200**	**72,900**	**45,900**	**45,600**	**45,000**	**69,400**	**69,000**	**69,200**
Manufacturing	176.7	176.5	176.7	8,400	8,700	8,900	1,400	1,500	1,600	15,700	15,700	16,100
Mining	69.3	69.5	71.0	—	—	—	1,800	1,800	1,800	3,300	3,300	3,500
Construction	107.4	109.3	109.8	2,400	2,400	2,200	1,300	1,300	1,300	4,200	4,100	3,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	111.8	112.3	112.6	2,500	2,500	2,400	6,500	6,400	6,200	3,600	3,600	3,500
Trade	383.1	378.3	381.6	17,000	16,900	16,000	14,300	14,200	14,400	17,100	16,900	17,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	99.8	100.2	102.6	3,400	3,400	3,400	1,700	1,700	1,800	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	476.3	477.4	465.3	17,800	17,900	17,200	8,400	8,200	7,900	14,200	14,200	13,900
Government	218.6	218.8	210.5	23,400	23,400	22,800	10,500	10,500	10,000	8,700	8,600	8,900
	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	**99,500**	**98,700**	**100,500**	**105,700**	**104,800**	**104,100**	**45,900**	**45,800**	**44,800**	**45,900**	**45,700**	**44,500**
Manufacturing	6,800	6,900	7,200	12,600	12,800	14,100	2,300	2,400	2,300	4,800	4,700	4,300
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	900	9,200	9,200	9,200	5,500	5,200	5,400
Construction	4,100	3,900	3,400	4,500	4,500	4,500	1,500	1,500	1,400	2,400	2,400	2,200
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,600	5,500	5,800	3,100	3,100	3,200	2,600	2,500	2,400	2,100	2,100	2,000
Trade	28,500	28,200	29,600	33,300	32,500	32,400	11,100	11,000	10,700	13,200	13,000	13,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	5,400	5,400	5,300	3,900	3,900	4,000	2,100	2,100	2,300	1,300	1,300	1,500
Services & Misc.	25,000	24,900	25,200	18,700	18,500	18,300	9,800	9,800	9,500	8,500	8,600	8,100
Government	23,900	23,700	23,800	28,800	28,700	26,700	7,300	7,300	7,000	8,300	8,400	8,000
	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	**37,200**	**37,100**	**37,000**	**527,900**	**526,300**	**525,100**	**37,700**	**37,800**	**38,100**	**47,000**	**46,700**	**46,900**
Manufacturing	5,000	5,100	5,000	43,700	43,900	43,400	10,300	10,500	10,600	6,400	6,400	7,100
Mining	300	300	500	1,800	1,800	1,900	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,200	1,200	22,200	22,300	22,200	1,300	1,300	1,500	1,400	1,500	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,600	2,600	23,200	22,800	22,000	1,600	1,600	1,600	2,500	2,500	2,400
Trade	9,200	9,100	9,200	133,900	132,400	134,000	8,100	8,100	8,000	11,200	10,900	11,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,600	37,400	37,400	39,000	2,100	2,100	2,000	1,700	1,700	1,700
Services & Misc.	9,500	9,400	9,200	141,300	141,500	139,400	9,800	9,700	9,700	11,600	11,600	11,300
Government	7,800	7,800	7,700	124,400	124,200	123,200	4,500	4,500	4,500	12,100	12,000	11,600
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	**63,300**	**63,000**	**62,600**	**29,900**	**30,000**	**28,500**	**82,900**	**83,600**	**83,100**	**50,200**	**50,300**	**50,600**
Manufacturing	11,000	10,900	11,000	3,100	3,100	3,000	14,800	15,300	15,700	8,200	8,200	8,200
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,600	1,600	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,800	1,800	1,500	3,300	3,300	3,000	1,700	1,700	1,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,900	2,900	2,800	1,400	1,400	1,400	3,400	3,400	3,500	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	16,300	16,000	16,100	8,000	8,000	7,700	19,400	19,300	19,700	11,600	11,600	11,900
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,300	3,300	3,400	1,600	1,600	1,600	5,200	5,200	5,300	2,100	2,100	2,100
Services & Misc.	16,400	16,400	16,100	6,800	6,900	6,400	23,100	23,300	22,500	12,900	12,900	12,700
Government	9,800	9,900	9,600	5,500	5,600	5,300	13,700	13,800	13,400	9,600	9,700	9,700

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* Preliminary — subject to revision. ** Revised. *** In Thousands.

HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✤

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Dec.'91*	Nov.'91	Dec.'90	Dec.'91*	Nov.'91	Dec.'90	Dec.'91*	Nov.'91	Dec.'90
FOR TEXAS									
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 476.26	$ 467.75	$ 450.93	43.1	42.6	42.5	$ 11.05	$10.98	$10.61
Durable Goods	465.04	454.75	446.77	43.3	42.5	43.0	10.74	10.70	10.39
Lumber & Wood Products	326.14	320.12	317.03	42.8	42.4	42.9	7.62	7.55	7.39
Furniture & Fixtures	328.38	319.09	273.64	42.1	40.7	37.9	7.80	7.84	7.22
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	408.74	416.78	432.31	42.8	43.1	43.8	9.55	9.67	9.87
Primary Metal Industries	525.22	504.08	509.33	45.2	42.9	44.6	11.62	11.75	11.42
Fabricated Metal Products	456.26	437.03	441.08	44.6	43.1	45.1	10.23	10.14	9.78
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	460.78	452.12	462.49	43.8	43.1	44.3	10.52	10.49	10.44
Oil Field Machinery	555.36	552.29	612.68	48.0	47.9	52.5	11.57	11.53	11.67
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	463.14	450.46	459.20	41.5	41.1	41.0	11.16	10.96	11.20
Transportation Equipment	635.25	624.88	558.78	43.6	42.8	42.3	14.57	14.60	13.21
Instruments & Related Prod.	448.97	434.72	408.18	42.8	41.8	40.9	10.49	10.40	9.98
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	321.91	317.56	309.29	40.8	40.3	39.5	7.89	7.88	7.83
Nondurable Goods	489.49	483.64	456.96	42.9	42.8	42.0	11.41	11.30	10.88
Food & Kindred Products	400.68	401.75	378.01	43.6	44.1	43.3	9.19	9.11	8.73
Meat Products	296.27	308.39	282.01	43.0	44.5	42.6	6.89	6.93	6.62
Malt Beverages	1,058.08	952.03	939.73	54.4	48.4	51.1	19.45	19.67	18.39
Textile Mill Products	395.33	382.33	342.28	46.4	45.3	43.0	8.52	8.44	7.96
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	237.36	231.62	211.18	38.1	37.6	36.6	6.23	6.16	5.77
Paper & Allied Products	533.37	528.51	498.82	44.3	44.6	44.3	12.04	11.85	11.26
Printing & Publishing	475.80	456.03	440.36	41.7	40.5	40.4	11.41	11.26	10.90
Chemicals & Allied Products	757.67	759.23	737.48	44.7	45.3	44.4	16.95	16.76	16.61
Petroleum & Coal Products	840.26	823.28	752.75	47.1	46.2	44.7	17.84	17.82	16.84
Petroleum Refining	870.32	854.22	780.50	47.3	46.4	44.6	18.40	18.41	17.50
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	417.07	411.70	393.12	43.4	43.2	42.0	9.61	9.53	9.36
Leather & Leather Products	288.32	280.48	274.00	42.4	41.8	40.0	6.80	6.71	6.85
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	645.13	659.06	638.68	44.4	45.8	47.1	14.53	14.39	13.56
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	643.63	646.95	643.47	47.5	48.1	52.4	13.55	13.45	12.28
Oil & Gas Extraction	644.30	660.82	637.46	44.1	45.7	46.7	14.61	14.46	13.65
Communications	553.60	552.82	528.00	40.0	39.8	40.0	13.84	13.89	13.20
Elec., Gas & San. Services	584.22	574.33	569.71	41.7	41.8	42.9	14.01	13.74	13.28
Wholesale & Retail Trade	254.86	250.00	249.15	32.8	32.3	33.0	7.77	7.74	7.55
Wholesale Trade	455.31	442.18	440.36	40.4	39.8	40.4	11.27	11.11	10.90
Retail Trade	197.37	194.15	192.81	30.6	30.1	30.8	6.45	6.45	6.26
General Merchandise Stores	208.66	197.60	202.48	32.2	30.4	32.5	6.48	6.50	6.23
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	359.39	320.89	342.52	39.8	36.3	39.1	9.03	8.84	8.76

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 470.02	$ 452.15	$ 450.64	43.4	42.1	43.0	$ 10.83	$ 10.74	$ 10.48
Durable Goods	489.55	465.37	476.32	43.4	41.7	43.9	11.28	11.16	10.85
Nondurable Goods	437.33	428.56	407.68	43.3	42.6	41.6	10.10	10.06	9.80
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	505.66	492.13	471.96	42.6	41.6	41.4	11.87	11.83	11.40
Durable Goods	521.14	511.29	493.38	42.3	41.3	41.6	12.32	12.38	11.86
Nondurable Goods	474.77	455.15	424.76	43.2	42.3	41.0	10.99	10.76	10.36
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	580.13	563.88	563.34	45.5	44.4	45.8	12.75	12.70	12.30
Durable Goods	496.76	473.48	483.25	45.7	43.8	46.2	10.87	10.81	10.46
Nondurable Goods	682.67	674.10	665.00	45.3	45.0	45.3	15.07	14.98	14.68
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	340.72	335.79	328.02	41.5	41.0	40.9	8.21	8.19	8.02
Durable Goods	343.19	338.60	340.27	41.7	40.6	41.7	8.23	8.34	8.16
Nondurable Goods	338.66	332.05	315.20	41.3	41.3	40.0	8.20	8.04	7.88

✤Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Decreases of 200 each were reported in both Industrial Machinery and Equipment and in Electronic and Other Electrical Equipment. Stone, Clay and Glass Products reported a loss of 100, as well as Fabricated Metal Industries. Several sectors within Durable Goods remained the same over the month.

Nondurable Goods rose by 500 from November. Food and Kindred Products was up by 300 while both Printing and Publishing and Chemicals and Allied Products rose by 200. The only losses in Nondurables were found in Paper and Allied Products and in Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastics Products, both down by 100 over the month. Several sectors within Nondurables showed no change from November. Among these were Textile Mill Products, Apparel and Other Finished Textile Products, Petroleum and Coal Products and Leather and Leather Products.

Average Weekly Earnings Rise

For the estimated 636,600 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings increased by seven cents from November to December, 1991. Average Weekly Hours were up by five-tenths of an hour, as Average Weekly Earnings increased by $8.51 over the month. This was $25.33 above the December '90 level of $450.93 per week.

In mid-December a worker, on average, was earning $11.05 per hour.

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TEC ACTIVITIES

	DEC.'91	DEC.'90
Total Population	17,363,000*	17,209,100*
% UI Covered Unemployment	1.9	1.6
UI Covered Employers	326,114	318,352
Total Claims Actions	806,243	575,375
Total Initial Claims Actions	88,703	70,834
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	717,540	504,541
Total Placements	24,413	23,100
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$165.46	$159.08
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	89,456,687	61,715,333

*Revised.
**Regular State UI benefits.

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Abilene	$1,179,082
Amarillo	1,966,170
Austin	10,146,228
Beaumont-Port Arthur	6,796,180
Brazoria	2,653,490
Brownsville-Harlingen	4,560,708
Bryan-College Station	841,126
Corpus Christi	5,953,300
Dallas	52,396,798
El Paso	9,390,220
Fort Worth-Arlington	28,402,511
Galveston-Texas City	4,106,181
Houston	55,067,203
Killeen-Temple	2,252,171
Laredo	1,540,116
Longview-Marshall	3,326,383
Lubbock	2,725,655
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	9,042,672
Midland	1,369,147
Odessa	2,039,413
San Angelo	1,078,646
San Antonio	15,422,218
Sherman-Denison	1,604,360
Texarkana (Bowie Co. only)	1,133,465
Tyler	2,783,820
Victoria	742,286
Waco	2,884,211
Wichita Falls	1,821,739

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ALL 1990 AND 1991 ESTIMATES REVISED

All estimates of civilian labor force and nonagricultural wage and salary employment for 1990 and 1991 have been revised. The 1991 revised estimates which appear in this issue (as month-ago and year-ago figures) are not comparable to any previously published data for 1991. All revisions reflect refinements of previously published estimates.

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Texas Economic Changes, 1990-1991

Unemployment in Texas rose over the past year, from an average of 6.2 percent in 1990 to 6.6 percent in 1991. Rates rose fairly steadily throughout 1991, with the average rate for the final quarter of the year over seven percent. National rates rose faster than the State's during the past year, with the U. S. average rising from 5.5 percent in 1990 to 6.7 percent in 1991.

Texas employers added some 68,000 Nonfarm Salaried Jobs between 1990 and 1991. This increase, however, was less than a third the size of the change from 1989 to 1990, when 260,000 jobs were created. From a 3.8 percent rise in jobs from 1989 to 1990, job growth dropped to only 1.0 percent between 1990 and 1991. The only major industry sectors which lost jobs over the year were Manufacturing and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate.

Within Manufacturing, cutbacks were concentrated in the Durable Goods sector, which dropped 12,000 jobs.

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Jan.'92	Dec. '91	Jan.'91
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	125,071.0	125,108.0	123,585.0
Unemployment	9,949.0	8,559.0	8,595.0
Percent Unemployed	**8.0%**	**6.8%**	**7.0%**
Total Employment	115,122.0	116,549.0	114,990.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	126,046.0	125,619.0	124,637.0
Unemployment	8,929.0	8,891.0	7,715.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.1%**	**7.1%**	**6.2%**
Total Employment	117,117.0	116,728.0	116,922.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,646.1	8,562.0	8,421.8
Unemployment	721.8	575.2	582.9
Percent Unemployed	**8.3%**	**6.7%**	**6.9%**
Total Employment	7,924.3	7,986.8	7,838.9
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,747.0	8,596.0	8,511.0
Unemployment	686.0	613.0	547.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.8%**	**7.1%**	**6.4%**
Total Employment	8,061.0	7,983.0	7,964.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Jan.'92*	Dec.'91**	Jan.'91**	Jan.'92*	Dec.'91**	Jan.'91**	Jan.'92*	Dec.'91**	Jan.'91**
	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN		
Total Civilian Labor Force	51,700	50,700	50,800	97,400	97,000	95,400	454,500	452,200	438,300
Total Unemployment	3,800	2,700	3,300	6,400	5,000	5,300	26,400	20,900	20,900
Percent Unemployed	**7.4%**	**5.3%**	**6.5%**	**6.6%**	**5.2%**	**5.6%**	**5.8%**	**4.6%**	**4.8%**
Total Employment ++	47,900	48,000	47,500	91,000	92,000	90,100	428,100	431,300	417,400
	BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN		
Total Civilian Labor Force	177,700	175,100	168,400	95,200	94,500	90,800	111,800	108,900	107,700
Total Unemployment	17,300	13,500	12,300	7,800	5,900	5,200	16,300	13,100	15,000
Percent Unemployed	**9.7%**	**7.7%**	**7.3%**	**8.2%**	**6.2%**	**5.7%**	**14.6%**	**12.0%**	**13.9%**
Total Employment ++	160,400	161,600	156,100	87,400	88,600	85,600	95,500	95,800	92,700
	BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***		
Total Civilian Labor Force	63,700	64,700	61,200	167,400	164,700	159,800	1,448.5	1,436.5	1,424.3
Total Unemployment	3,000	2,300	2,600	18,100	14,200	13,100	112.7	92.2	82.7
Percent Unemployed	**4.7%**	**3.6%**	**4.2%**	**10.8%**	**8.6%**	**8.2%**	**7.8%**	**6.4%**	**5.8%**
Total Employment ++	60,700	62,400	58,600	149,300	150,500	146,700	1,335.8	1,344.3	1,341.6
	EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
Total Civilian Labor Force	256,100	250,900	251,300	733,100	729,200	727,500	113,300	112,000	108,100
Total Unemployment	31,700	25,700	30,300	57,400	47,400	43,300	10,600	8,300	8,500
Percent Unemployed	**12.4%**	**10.2%**	**12.1%**	**7.8%**	**6.5%**	**6.0%**	**9.4%**	**7.4%**	**7.9%**
Total Employment ++	224,400	225,200	221,000	675,700	681,800	684,200	102,700	103,700	99,600
	HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,778.2	1,759.6	1,715.0	99,300	97,200	96,000	56,600	55,400	55,700
Total Unemployment	132.0	106.2	95.8	9,000	7,000	7,500	5,900	5,100	7,000
Percent Unemployed	**7.4%**	**6.0%**	**5.6%**	**9.1%**	**7.2%**	**7.8%**	**10.4%**	**9.2%**	**12.6%**
Total Employment ++	1,646.2	1,653.4	1,619.2	90,300	90,200	88,500	50,700	50,300	48,700
	LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION		
Total Civilian Labor Force	82,700	80,700	79,700	114,500	114,400	113,700	167,300	162,400	170,000
Total Unemployment	8,700	6,700	6,900	7,800	6,500	6,000	33,000	26,300	37,600
Percent Unemployed	**10.5%**	**8.3%**	**8.7%**	**6.8%**	**5.7%**	**5.3%**	**19.7%**	**16.2%**	**22.1%**
Total Employment ++	74,000	74,000	72,800	106,700	107,900	107,700	134,300	136,100	132,400
	MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	49,800	49,700	47,500	54,700	53,900	51,800	45,500	45,200	43,100
Total Unemployment	3,500	2,600	2,500	5,100	3,800	3,000	3,200	2,500	2,400
Percent Unemployed	**7.0%**	**5.2%**	**5.3%**	**9.3%**	**7.1%**	**5.8%**	**7.0%**	**5.5%**	**5.6%**
Total Employment ++	46,300	47,100	45,000	49,600	50,100	48,800	42,300	42,700	40,700
	SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
Total Civilian Labor Force	607,800	605,300	599,300	47,000	46,400	46,800	58,000	57,100	56,700
Total Unemployment	46,100	38,100	43,900	3,900	3,100	3,100	5,100	4,100	4,100
Percent Unemployed	**7.6%**	**6.3%**	**7.3%**	**8.3%**	**6.7%**	**6.6%**	**8.8%**	**7.2%**	**7.2%**
Total Employment ++	561,700	567,200	555,400	43,100	43,300	43,700	52,900	53,000	52,600
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	76,200	74,800	74,900	39,100	38,300	36,800	92,400	92,700	91,100
Total Unemployment	6,400	5,200	5,400	2,800	1,900	2,000	6,900	5,900	5,700
Percent Unemployed	**8.4%**	**7.0%**	**7.2%**	**7.2%**	**5.0%**	**5.4%**	**7.5%**	**6.4%**	**6.3%**
Total Employment ++	69,800	69,600	69,500	36,300	36,400	34,800	85,500	86,800	85,400
	WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***		
Total Civilian Labor Force	54,900	54,000	54,100				8,646.1	8,562.0	8,421.8
Total Unemployment	4,300	3,500	4,100				721.8	575.2	582.9
Percent Unemployed	**7.8%**	**6.5%**	**7.6%**				**8.3%**	**6.7%**	**6.9%**
Total Employment ++	50,600	50,500	50,000				7,924.3	7,986.8	7,838.9

✚ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

* Preliminary – subject to revision. ** Revised. *** In Thousands.

Some three-fourths of this decline was in the Aircraft and Parts segment of Transportation by Air. This industry was hit hard by defense-related cutbacks. More moderate losses occurred in Electronic & Other Electric Equipment and in two construction-related industries: Lumber and Wood Products and Stone, Clay and Glass Products.

Nondurable Goods overall showed a moderate increase of just over 1,000 jobs. The largest of the gains were in Chemicals and Allied Products and in Petroleum Refining. The biggest decreases in this sector were in Food and Kindred Products and in the Publication of Newspapers, Periodicals & Books.

Continued consolidations of banks were the primary source of the overall decrease of 5,700 jobs in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate. Insurance Carriers, Agents and Brokers also lost some jobs, while the portion containing Real Estate rose moderately over the year.

Some sizeable gains occurred in Services in 1991, along with more moderate increases in Wholesale and Retail Trade, Transportation and Public Utilities, and Construction.

The only industry where growth was stronger between 1990 and 1991 than during the previous year was Health Services, which gained over 30,000 jobs in 1991. Health Services was primarily responsible for the total growth in Services during the past year. Without the large upturn in Health Services, sizeable losses in Hotels and Other Lodging Places and in Business and Repair Services would have nullified the moderate increases in Amusement, Including Motion Pictures, Engineering and Management Services, and Educational Services.

Wholesale and Retail Trade gained the second-largest number of new jobs during this period. Some 13,000 jobs were added, primarily in Eating and Drinking Places. Food Stores exhibited smaller increases. Partially offsetting these advances were decreases in General Merchandise Stores, Apparel and Accessory Stores, and Automotive Dealers and Service Stations.

Continuing a slow recovery, Construction gained over 11,000 jobs during the year. Most of the growth was in Heavy Construction and in Special

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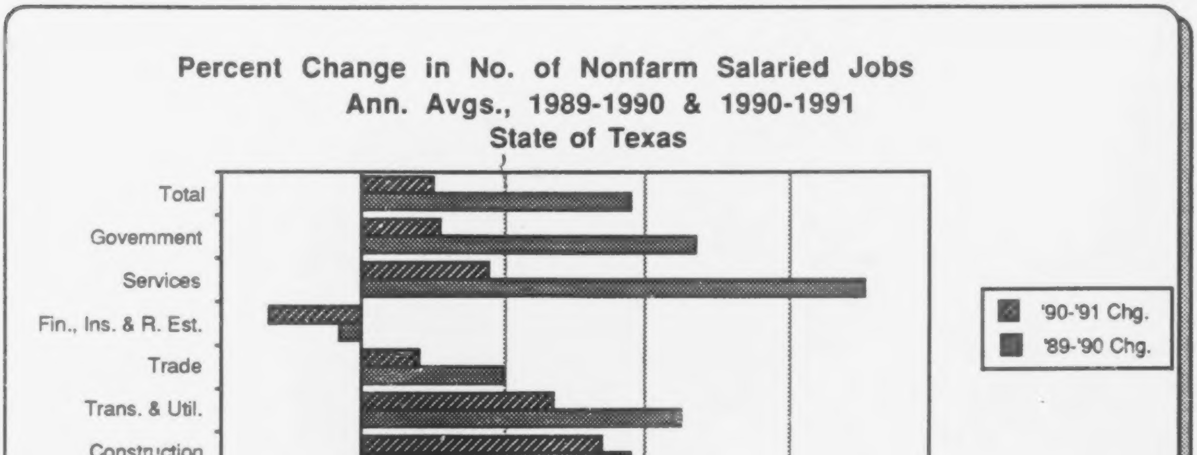

Annual Average Changes in Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment*
State of Texas
1990 - 1991

	Ann. Avg. 1991	Ann. Avg. 1990	Num. Chg. '90-'91	% Chg. '90-'91
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,168,000**	**7,100,200**	**67,800**	**1.0**
MANUFACTURING	**986,900**	**997,500**	**-10,600**	**-1.1**
Durable Goods	**562,600**	**574,600**	**-12,000**	**-2.1**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,100	31,300	-1,200	-3.8
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,700	7.100	-400	-5.6
Furniture & Fixtures	16,200	16,800	-600	-3.6
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	34,500	36,200	-1,700	-4.7
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,900	15,700	-800	-5.1
Primary Metal Industries	30,800	30,000	800	2.7
Fabricated Metal Industries	82,800	82,200	600	0.7
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	39,500	39,900	-400	-1.0
Machinery, exc. Electrical	117,700	117,400	300	0.3
Oil Field Machinery	28,400	26,800	1,600	6.0
Electric & Electronic Equipment	104,100	107,100	-3,000	-2.8
Transportation Equipment	88,900	97,300	-8,400	-8.6
Aircraft & Parts	61,800	70,600	-8,800	-12.5
Instruments & Related Prod.	40,800	40,000	800	2.0
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	16,700	16,300	400	2.5
Nondurable Goods	**424,300**	**422,900**	**1,400**	**0.3**
Food & Kindred Products	96,700	98,600	-1,900	-1.9
Meat Products	30,500	30,400	100	0.3
Dairy Products	4,300	4,200	100	2.4
Bakery Products	10,200	10,000	200	2.0
Malt Beverages	3,000	2,900	100	3.4
Textile Mill Products	4,000	4,000	0	0.0
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	57,200	57,100	100	0.2
Paper & Allied Products	25,200	24,800	400	1.6
Printing & Publishing	75,600	75,700	-100	-0.1
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	35,600	36,500	-900	-2.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	86,100	83,600	2,500	3.0
Petroleum & Coal Products	30,000	29,300	700	2.4
Petroleum Refining	27,100	26,100	1,000	3.8
Leather & Leather Products	41,800	42,200	-400	-0.9
Other Nondurable Goods	7,600	7,500	100	1.3
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,181,100**	**6,102,700**	**78,400**	**1.3**
Mining	**185,100**	**181,200**	**3,900**	**2.2**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,500	9,500	0	0.0
Oil & Gas Extraction	175,600	171,700	3,900	2.3
Construction	**347,200**	**335,900**	**11,300**	**3.4**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**434,400**	**423,000**	**11,400**	**2.7**
Railroad Transportation	17,200	18,300	-1,100	-6.0
Transportation, exc. Railroads	247,100	236,200	10,900	4.6
Transportation by Air	78,500	73,900	4,600	6.2
Communication, exc. U.S. Postal Service	89,900	89,400	500	0.6
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	80,200	79,100	1,100	1.4
Electric Services	40,400	40,500	-100	-0.2
Gas Production & Distribution	28,100	27,700	400	1.4
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,735,400**	**1,722,300**	**13,100**	**0.8**
Wholesale Trade	435,000	429,800	5,200	1.2
Retail Trade	1,300,400	1,292,500	7,900	0.6
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	41,100	40,700	400	1.0
General Merchandise Stores	175,300	177,800	-2,500	-1.4
Food Stores	240,200	235,900	4,300	1.8
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	133,300	138,000	-4,700	-3.4
Apparel & Accessory Stores	79,800	82,500	-2,700	-3.3
Eating & Drinking Places	443,200	429,300	13,900	3.2
Other Retail Trade	187,500	188,300	-800	-0.4
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**427,800**	**433,500**	**-5,700**	**-1.3**
Banking	121,000	128,100	-7,100	-5.5
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	142,700	143,000	-300	-0.2
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	164,100	162,400	1,700	1.0
Services	**1,774,500**	**1,743,400**	**31,100**	**1.8**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	83,500	88,100	-4,600	-5.2
Personal Services	80,200	78,800	1,400	1.8
Business & Repair Services	452,600	459,000	-6,400	-1.4
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	87,100	82,200	4,900	6.0
Health Services	505,900	475,300	30,600	6.4
Educational Services	87,300	85,500	1,800	2.1
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	154,500	152,100	2,400	1.6
Other Services & Miscellaneous	323,400	322,400	1,000	0.3
Total Government	**1,276,700**	**1,263,400**	**13,300**	**1.1**
Federal Government	198,400	205,300	-6,900	-3.4
State Government	275,800	273,100	2,700	1.0
Local Government	802,500	785,000	17,500	2.2

*Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Annual Average Changes in Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment*
Texas Metropolitan Statistical Areas
1990 - 1991

	A.A.'91	A.A.'90	Num. Chg.	A.A.'91	A.A.'90	Num. Chg.	A.A.'91	A.A.'90	Num. Chg.	A.A.'91	A.A.'90	Num. Chg.
Industry	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
TOTAL	48,600	48,400	200	79,300	78,500	800	389,700	379,200	10,500	150,400	142,300	8,100
Manufacturing	4,200	4,600	-400	8,500	8,500	0	51,000	49,000	2,000	25,700	25,200	500
Mining	1,500	1,500	0	900	1,200	-300	700	700	0	1,900	1,800	100
Construction	1,500	1,500	0	3,100	3,000	100	12,500	11,900	600	16,300	11,600	4,700
Trans., Comm. & U	2,600	2,800	-200	5,300	5,400	-100	12,600	11,900	700	9,800	9,700	100
Trade	12,800	12,500	300	22,900	23,000	-100	78,800	78,200	600	33,100	32,500	600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	2,000	0	4,200	4,200	0	23,100	23,500	-400	5,100	5,300	-200
Services & Misc.	14,800	14,300	500	18,900	18,400	500	100,600	96,400	4,200	36,600	34,800	1,800
Government	9,200	9,200	0	15,500	14,800	700	110,400	107,600	2,800	21,900	21,400	500
	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	72,000	68,200	3,800	78,300	76,100	2,200	55,800	54,600	1,200	135,400	134,800	600
Manufacturing	17,200	16,700	500	11,500	11,800	-300	3,600	3,600	0	12,900	12,500	400
Mining	2,200	2,000	200	*	*	*	600	600	0	3,900	3,800	100
Construction	12,200	10,200	2,000	2,200	2,300	-100	1,800	1,900	-100	11,300	11,700	-400
Trans., Comm. & U	2,800	3,000	-200	3,600	3,200	400	1,400	1,300	100	6,900	6,600	300
Trade	12,800	12,400	400	21,500	20,600	900	11,900	11,500	400	32,000	32,100	-100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	0	3,700	3,700	0	1,800	1,800	0	6,100	6,300	-200
Services & Misc.	10,700	10,000	700	18,300	17,200	1,100	11,000	10,500	500	32,500	32,200	300
Government	12,200	12,000	200	17,500	17,300	200	23,700	23,400	300	29,800	29,600	200
	DALLAS **			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	1,377.4	1,386.4	-9.0	209,300	209,100	200	587,000	589,500	-2,500	78,400	76,800	1,600
Manufacturing	214.0	222.5	-8.5	40,700	41,400	-700	108,300	118,700	-10,400	8,600	8,900	-300
Mining	18.3	18.1	0.2	*	*	*	4,400	4,300	100	700	600	100
Construction	45.5	45.9	-0.4	7,600	8,400	-800	21,100	22,100	-1,000	4,500	4,800	-300
Trans., Comm. & U	84.1	83.7	0.4	10,600	10,800	-200	57,900	55,900	2,000	5,600	5,100	500
Trade	354.4	354.1	0.3	52,700	52,500	200	148,800	151,400	-2,600	16,500	15,300	1,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	127.6	128.4	-0.8	8,100	8,400	-300	28,500	28,000	500	5,500	5,100	400
Services & Misc.	369.0	372.9	-3.9	44,500	43,400	1,100	141,600	135,200	6,400	14,600	14,700	-100
Government	164.5	160.8	3.7	45,100	44,200	900	76,400	73,900	2,500	22,400	22,300	100
	HOUSTON **			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	1,636.4	1,605.7	30.7	74,800	73,800	1,000	47,200	45,000	2,200	70,500	69,900	600
Manufacturing	182.5	175.6	6.9	8,400	8,700	-300	1,800	1,900	-100	16,000	16,700	-700
Mining	70.3	68.1	2.2	*	*	*	1,900	1,800	100	3,600	3,500	100
Construction	114.3	112.0	2.3	2,400	2,400	0	1,500	1,400	100	3,400	3,700	-300
Trans., Comm. & U	114.7	110.6	4.1	2,500	2,500	0	7,100	6,600	500	3,500	3,400	100
Trade	382.0	379.3	2.7	16,600	16,600	0	14,600	13,900	700	17,700	17,100	600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	100.2	101.8	-1.6	3,200	3,300	-100	1,900	1,900	0	2,600	2,600	0
Services & Misc.	458.6	450.4	8.2	18,400	17,600	800	7,900	7,700	200	14,500	13,800	700
Government	213.8	207.9	5.9	23,300	22,700	600	10,500	9,800	700	9,200	9,100	100
	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	97,600	98,500	-900	103,800	101,500	2,300	46,100	45,000	1,100	45,600	43,900	1,700
Manufacturing	7,100	7,200	-100	12,800	13,400	-600	2,200	2,200	0	4,600	4,300	300
Mining	200	200	0	900	900	0	9,500	9,100	400	5,500	5,300	200
Construction	3,400	3,300	100	4,200	4,400	-200	1,400	1,400	0	2,500	2,300	200
Trans., Comm. & U	5,500	5,700	-200	3,000	3,000	0	2,400	2,400	0	2,200	2,000	200
Trade	27,800	28,700	-900	32,100	31,000	1,100	10,900	10,600	300	12,600	12,400	200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	4,700	5,300	-600	3,800	4,000	-200	2,300	2,600	-300	1,400	1,500	-100
Services & Misc.	25,500	25,300	200	18,500	18,100	400	10,100	9,600	500	8,800	8,000	800
Government	23,400	22,800	600	28,500	26,700	1,800	7,300	7,100	200	8,000	8,100	-100
	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	37,500	36,400	1,100	526,100	523,500	2,600	37,300	38,100	-800	46,600	47,200	-600
Manufacturing	5,000	4,900	100	45,400	45,800	-400	10,600	11,100	-500	6,600	7,000	-400
Mining	600	500	100	1,900	1,800	100	*	*	*	100	100	0
Construction	1,100	1,100	0	22,100	21,500	600	1,500	1,500	0	1,400	1,500	-100
Trans., Comm. & U	2,700	2,600	100	22,900	22,300	600	1,600	1,600	0	2,300	2,300	0
Trade	9,300	9,000	300	130,700	130,300	400	7,700	7,900	-200	11,100	11,000	100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,500	1,600	-100	38,500	40,000	-1,500	2,000	2,000	0	1,700	1,800	-100
Services & Misc.	9,800	9,200	600	145,100	142,800	2,300	9,400	9,500	-100	11,500	11,100	400
Government	7,500	7,500	0	119,500	119,000	500	4,500	4,500	0	11,900	12,400	-500
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	63,600	62,400	1,200	30,100	28,800	1,300	82,700	82,000	700	49,800	49,900	-100
Manufacturing	10,800	11,100	-300	3,000	3,000	0	15,400	15,500	-100	7,900	8,300	-400
Mining	1,700	1,700	0	1,700	1,500	200	*	*	*	1,400	1,400	0
Construction	2,100	1,900	200	1,900	1,800	100	3,200	3,100	100	1,400	1,800	-400
Trans., Comm. & U	2,900	2,800	100	1,500	1,400	100	3,400	3,500	-100	2,700	2,700	0
Trade	15,900	16,100	-200	8,200	8,000	200	19,300	19,100	200	11,600	11,400	200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,300	3,400	-100	1,700	1,600	100	5,200	5,300	-100	2,200	2,300	-100
Services & Misc.	16,600	15,700	900	6,900	6,300	600	22,600	22,300	300	12,700	12,300	400
Government	10,300	9,700	600	5,200	5,200	0	13,600	13,200	400	9,900	9,700	200

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** In Thousands.

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	JAN. '92*	DEC. '91**	JAN. '91**	Chg. from DEC. '91	Chg. from JAN. '91
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,172,500**	**7,250,700**	**7,041,000**	**-78,200**	**131,500**
MANUFACTURING	**979,300**	**981,100**	**989,800**	**-1,800**	**-10,500**
Durable Goods	**552,800**	**552,800**	**570,400**	**0**	**-17,600**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,400	30,200	29,700	200	700
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,800	6,800	6,600	0	200
Furniture & Fixtures	16,200	16,300	16,500	-100	-300
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	34,500	34,400	34,900	100	-400
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,600	14,700	14,800	-100	-200
Primary Metal Industries	30,300	30,200	30,700	100	-400
Fabricated Metal Industries	81,000	81,900	83,600	-900	-2,600
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	38,700	39,000	39,900	-300	-1,200
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	114,800	114,300	118,500	500	-3,700
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	26,600	26,700	28,800	-100	-2,200
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	101,300	101,100	106,800	200	-5,500
Transportation Equipment	87,000	86,800	93,400	200	-6,400
Aircraft & Parts	59,900	59,900	68,500	0	-8,600
Instruments & Related Prod.	40,700	40,700	40,500	0	200
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	16,600	16,900	15,800	-300	800
Nondurable Goods	**426,500**	**428,300**	**419,400**	**-1,800**	**7,100**
Food & Kindred Products	95,600	96,700	97,100	-1,100	-1,500
Meat Products	30,600	30,800	30,700	-200	-100
Dairy Products	4,200	4,200	4,200	0	0
Bakery Products	10,200	10,300	10,300	-100	-100
Malt Beverages	3,100	3,200	3,000	-100	100
Textile Mill Products	3,900	4,000	3,900	-100	0
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	58,700	58,900	55,400	-200	3,300
Paper & Allied Products	25,300	25,300	25,000	0	300
Printing & Publishing	76,400	76,100	75,400	300	1,000
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	36,200	35,900	35,700	300	500
Chemicals & Allied Products	87,100	87,200	84,100	-100	3,000
Petroleum & Coal Products	30,300	30,600	29,100	-300	1,200
Petroleum Refining	27,400	27,800	26,200	-400	1,200
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	41,600	41,700	41,700	-100	-100
Leather & Leather Products	7,500	7,700	7,600	-200	-100
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,193,200**	**6,269,600**	**6,051,200**	**-76,400**	**142,000**
Mining	**179,900**	**181,000**	**185,900**	**-1,100**	**-6,000**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,400	9,400	9,200	0	200
Oil & Gas Extraction	170,500	171,600	176,700	-1,100	-6,200
Construction	**342,500**	**349,700**	**324,700**	**-7,200**	**17,800**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**435,400**	**438,600**	**427,400**	**-3,200**	**8,000**
Railroad Transportation	16,800	17,100	17,200	-300	-400
Other Transportation	248,600	251,400	240,000	-2,800	8,600
Transportation by Air	80,100	79,800	76,400	300	3,700
Communications	90,000	89,900	90,200	100	-200
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	80,000	80,200	80,000	-200	0
Electric Services	40,400	40,200	40,700	200	-300
Gas Production & Distribution	27,500	27,800	28,100	-300	-600
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,719,500**	**1,770,700**	**1,705,500**	**-51,200**	**14,000**
Wholesale Trade	433,600	435,900	430,100	-2,300	3,500
Retail Trade	1,285,900	1,334,800	1,275,400	-48,900	10,500
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	39,400	40,500	38,200	-1,100	1,200
General Merchandise Stores	173,800	187,000	175,900	-13,200	-2,100
Food Stores	240,000	246,300	234,500	-6,300	5,500
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	132,400	133,400	131,700	-1,000	700
Apparel & Accessory Stores	77,300	85,000	82,800	-7,700	-5,500
Eating & Drinking Places	433,000	448,000	422,300	-15,000	10,700
Other Retail Trade	190,000	194,600	190,000	-4,600	0
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**425,500**	**426,900**	**425,000**	**-1,400**	**500**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	118,500	119,200	121,600	-700	-3,100
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	143,700	143,600	142,000	100	1,700
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	163,300	164,100	161,400	-800	1,900
Services	**1,797,100**	**1,799,800**	**1,710,000**	**-2,700**	**87,100**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	82,800	83,300	81,900	-500	900
Personal Services	80,500	81,000	80,000	-500	500
Business & Repair Services	453,400	455,000	444,200	-1,600	9,200
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	87,500	88,700	72,200	-1,200	15,300
Health Services	525,600	522,300	487,500	3,300	38,100
Educational Services	90,400	91,400	82,900	-1,000	7,500
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	155,200	155,400	151,100	-200	4,100
Other Services & Miscellaneous	321,700	322,700	310,200	-1,000	11,500
Total Government	**1,293,300**	**1,302,900**	**1,272,700**	**-9,600**	**20,600**
Federal Government	199,100	199,700	198,300	-600	800
State Government	281,700	283,700	270,800	-2,000	10,900
Local Government	812,500	819,500	803,600	-7,000	8,900

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Jan.'92*	Dec. '91**	Jan.'91**	Jan.'92*	Dec. '91**	Jan.'91**	Jan.'92*	Dec. '91**	Jan.'91**	Jan.'92*	Dec. '91**	Jan.'91**
Industry		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR	
TOTAL	**49,100**	**49,400**	**48,500**	**78,800**	**80,100**	**77,800**	**392,900**	**397,900**	**383,900**	**151,500**	**153,600**	**147,300**
Manufacturing	4,400	4,300	4,200	8,700	8,800	8,500	51,200	51,400	50,500	25,800	25,700	25,900
Mining	1,400	1,400	1,600	800	800	1,000	700	700	700	2,000	2,000	1,800
Construction	1,500	1,500	1,300	2,800	3,000	3,000	12,500	12,700	11,900	16,500	17,100	14,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,600	2,700	2,600	5,600	5,400	5,300	12,900	13,000	12,400	9,900	10,000	9,900
Trade	13,000	13,300	12,900	22,600	23,400	22,200	78,900	82,500	76,900	32,700	34,000	32,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	2,000	1,900	4,100	4,100	4,100	22,900	23,200	22,900	5,100	5,100	4,800
Services & Misc.	15,000	15,000	14,700	18,400	18,800	18,200	101,100	102,200	96,900	37,400	37,500	35,300
Government	9,200	9,200	9,300	15,800	15,800	15,500	112,700	112,200	111,700	22,100	22,200	21,900
		BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI	
TOTAL	**71,700**	**73,000**	**70,300**	**78,900**	**79,100**	**76,900**	**55,700**	**58,000**	**53,800**	**134,900**	**136,500**	**131,000**
Manufacturing	17,400	17,400	17,100	11,400	11,500	11,300	3,800	3,800	3,500	13,100	13,200	12,600
Mining	2,000	2,000	2,100	—	—	—	600	600	700	3,700	3,900	3,800
Construction	11,700	12,400	11,300	2,300	2,200	2,200	1,700	1,700	1,700	11,400	11,600	9,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,700	3,600	3,600	3,300	1,400	1,500	1,400	6,900	6,700	6,700
Trade	12,600	13,200	12,500	21,600	21,600	21,200	12,000	12,300	11,800	31,800	32,100	31,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,700	3,700	3,600	1,700	1,800	1,800	5,800	6,000	5,900
Services & Misc.	10,800	10,700	10,500	18,400	18,700	17,600	10,700	11,000	10,700	32,600	32,800	31,400
Government	12,500	12,600	12,200	17,900	17,800	17,700	23,800	25,300	22,200	29,600	30,200	29,500
		DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
TOTAL	**1,370.3**	**1,387.3**	**1,365.7**	**210,400**	**212,300**	**207,200**	**579,800**	**589,000**	**583,500**	**77,900**	**79,000**	**75,600**
Manufacturing	210.4	210.9	217.6	40,700	40,300	40,800	103,500	104,700	115,900	8,600	8,900	8,700
Mining	18.0	18.0	18.2	—	—	—	4,400	4,400	4,300	800	700	700
Construction	41.9	43.5	43.7	8,000	7,600	7,900	19,300	19,400	20,600	4,200	4,500	4,100
Trans., Comm. & Util.	84.9	85.3	83.7	10,700	10,700	10,600	58,700	59,200	57,100	5,600	5,700	5,000
Trade	354.6	363.2	350.0	53,100	55,000	52,000	144,900	151,500	146,800	16,200	16,600	15,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	126.2	127.3	127.6	8,000	8,200	8,200	27,800	28,000	28,800	5,500	5,500	5,400
Services & Misc.	369.0	370.8	362.3	44,600	44,400	43,200	142,300	142,300	135,200	14,300	14,400	14,100
Government	165.3	168.3	162.6	45,300	46,100	44,500	78,900	79,500	74,800	22,700	22,700	22,300
		HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL	
TOTAL	**1,630.4**	**1,647.1**	**1,600.5**	**74,700**	**75,200**	**73,300**	**48,200**	**48,100**	**46,600**	**70,300**	**71,200**	**69,500**
Manufacturing	181.4	182.0	180.5	8,000	8,000	8,800	1,600	1,800	1,800	15,800	15,900	16,300
Mining	69.1	68.3	69.8	—	—	—	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,400	3,500	3,600
Construction	110.8	113.5	107.8	2,300	2,300	2,200	1,500	1,500	1,400	3,600	3,700	3,200
Trans., Comm. & Util.	112.9	112.6	113.3	2,500	2,600	2,500	7,200	7,200	6,900	3,500	3,500	3,500
Trade	381.3	389.4	375.6	16,400	16,800	15,900	15,000	14,900	14,400	17,600	17,900	17,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	98.5	98.6	99.9	3,200	3,200	3,200	1,800	1,900	2,000	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	458.9	464.2	440.6	18,700	18,400	17,800	8,300	8,100	7,800	14,500	14,800	14,000
Government	217.5	218.5	213.0	23,600	23,900	22,900	10,900	10,800	10,400	9,300	9,300	9,200
		LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA	
TOTAL	**97,300**	**98,800**	**97,300**	**105,800**	**107,300**	**103,500**	**46,400**	**47,300**	**44,600**	**45,600**	**46,500**	**44,600**
Manufacturing	6,800	6,800	7,100	12,500	12,600	13,700	2,400	2,400	2,300	4,600	4,600	4,400
Mining	200	200	200	900	800	800	9,600	9,700	9,500	5,500	5,700	5,300
Construction	3,600	3,800	3,100	4,300	4,400	4,000	1,400	1,400	1,200	2,500	2,600	2,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,600	5,700	5,700	3,000	3,000	2,900	2,400	2,500	2,400	2,300	2,300	2,200
Trade	26,600	27,800	27,900	32,400	33,700	31,200	10,900	11,300	10,700	12,400	13,000	12,400
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	4,600	4,800	4,700	3,800	3,800	3,900	2,200	2,200	2,400	1,400	1,300	1,500
Services & Misc.	26,000	25,500	25,300	18,900	18,900	18,600	10,100	10,200	9,100	8,900	8,900	8,500
Government	23,900	24,200	23,300	30,000	30,100	28,400	7,400	7,600	7,000	8,000	8,100	7,900
		SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
TOTAL	**37,800**	**38,100**	**36,200**	**526,200**	**534,700**	**517,000**	**36,900**	**37,400**	**37,700**	**46,500**	**46,800**	**46,100**
Manufacturing	5,000	5,000	4,800	45,700	45,900	45,200	10,000	10,200	11,100	6,300	6,300	7,000
Mining	500	500	500	1,900	1,900	1,900	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,100	21,900	22,200	21,100	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,400	1,400	1,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,700	2,700	23,400	23,600	22,200	1,600	1,700	1,600	2,200	2,300	2,300
Trade	9,100	9,600	8,900	128,700	133,900	127,400	7,700	7,900	7,800	10,900	11,200	10,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,500	1,500	1,500	38,100	38,400	38,600	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,600	1,600	1,700
Services & Misc.	10,000	10,000	9,100	143,300	145,800	140,800	9,600	9,600	9,300	11,900	11,700	11,200
Government	7,800	7,700	7,600	123,200	123,000	119,800	4,500	4,500	4,400	12,100	12,200	11,900
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS	
TOTAL	**62,900**	**63,600**	**62,900**	**30,600**	**30,600**	**29,000**	**81,600**	**83,200**	**81,300**	**50,000**	**50,200**	**49,200**
Manufacturing	10,600	10,600	11,300	2,900	2,900	3,000	15,000	14,700	15,600	8,000	8,000	8,200
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,800	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	2,200	2,200	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,700	2,900	3,200	3,000	1,400	1,400	1,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,900	2,900	3,000	1,500	1,500	1,400	3,300	3,400	3,500	2,600	2,700	2,600
Trade	15,900	16,400	15,500	8,400	8,500	7,800	19,200	19,600	18,700	11,700	11,800	11,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,200	3,200	3,300	1,600	1,600	1,700	5,200	5,200	5,300	2,200	2,200	2,200
Services & Misc.	16,200	16,500	16,100	7,200	7,100	6,400	22,200	23,300	21,600	12,800	12,800	12,300
Government	10,200	10,100	10,100	5,400	5,400	5,200	13,800	13,800	13,600	9,900	9,900	9,800

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✤

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Jan.'92*	Dec.'91	Jan.'91	Jan.'92*	Dec.'91	Jan.'91	Jan.'92*	Dec.'91	Jan.'91
				FOR TEXAS					
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 459.90	$ 474.34	$ 446.37	42.0	43.2	41.6	$ 10.95	$10.98	$10.73
Durable Goods	451.12	464.18	439.32	42.2	43.3	41.8	10.69	10.72	10.51
Lumber & Wood Products	320.88	332.34	307.23	42.0	43.5	41.8	7.64	7.64	7.35
Furniture & Fixtures	341.04	342.94	266.82	43.5	43.3	36.5	7.84	7.92	7.31
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	413.76	417.85	392.35	42.7	43.3	40.7	9.69	9.65	9.64
Primary Metal Industries	500.26	518.25	493.50	43.2	44.6	43.1	11.58	11.62	11.45
Fabricated Metal Products	441.18	446.42	421.09	43.0	44.2	43.1	10.26	10.10	9.77
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	446.87	466.31	453.71	42.6	44.2	43.5	10.49	10.55	10.43
Oil Field Machinery	548.50	574.28	589.01	46.8	49.0	50.3	11.72	11.72	11.71
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	447.92	465.45	443.82	40.1	41.3	39.0	11.17	11.27	11.38
Transportation Equipment	614.46	630.44	591.68	42.0	42.8	43.0	14.63	14.73	13.76
Instruments & Related Prod.	424.51	443.65	415.54	41.7	42.7	40.9	10.18	10.39	10.16
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	323.89	325.78	282.38	41.9	42.2	37.5	7.73	7.72	7.53
Nondurable Goods	470.67	484.77	454.99	41.8	42.9	41.4	11.26	11.30	10.99
Food & Kindred Products	372.41	397.49	370.48	40.7	43.3	42.1	9.15	9.18	8.80
Meat Products	271.75	294.53	281.72	39.1	42.5	42.3	6.95	6.93	6.66
Malt Beverages	940.32	957.84	891.29	47.3	48.4	48.1	19.88	19.79	18.53
Textile Mill Products	382.59	383.63	348.77	44.8	45.4	44.6	8.54	8.45	7.82
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	245.36	241.15	219.56	38.7	38.4	36.9	6.34	6.28	5.95
Paper & Allied Products	534.46	549.02	503.80	44.8	45.6	44.0	11.93	12.04	11.45
Printing & Publishing	435.37	469.13	424.71	39.4	41.7	39.0	11.05	11.25	10.89
Chemicals & Allied Products	747.14	768.50	744.82	44.9	45.5	44.6	16.64	16.89	16.70
Petroleum & Coal Products	808.60	824.86	774.38	44.6	45.8	44.2	18.13	18.01	17.52
Petroleum Refining	837.14	853.74	801.68	44.6	45.9	44.0	18.77	18.60	18.22
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	416.38	409.70	393.95	43.6	43.4	41.6	9.55	9.44	9.47
Leather & Leather Products	269.17	282.31	269.01	39.7	41.7	39.1	6.78	6.77	6.88
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	659.86	671.26	623.57	43.1	44.9	44.1	15.31	14.95	14.14
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	637.84	640.94	614.95	47.6	48.3	49.0	13.40	13.27	12.55
Oil & Gas Extraction	660.83	673.63	624.15	42.8	44.7	43.8	15.44	15.07	14.25
Communications	552.75	555.41	564.71	40.2	40.6	41.1	13.75	13.68	13.74
Elec., Gas & San. Services	566.91	577.38	566.46	41.9	41.9	42.4	13.53	13.78	13.36
Wholesale & Retail Trade	251.69	257.02	243.08	31.9	32.7	31.9	7.89	7.86	7.62
Wholesale Trade	442.33	454.58	429.37	39.6	40.3	39.5	11.17	11.28	10.87
Retail Trade	192.93	198.25	185.89	29.5	30.5	29.6	6.54	6.50	6.28
General Merchandise Stores	186.26	211.24	176.33	28.7	32.7	27.9	6.49	6.46	6.32
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	324.49	352.54	322.14	36.5	39.7	36.9	8.89	8.88	8.73

HOURS AND EARNINGS
FOR SELECTED
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 448.03	$ 468.93	$ 436.39	41.6	43.5	41.8	$ 10.77	$ 10.78	$ 10.44
Durable Goods	461.44	490.50	455.34	41.2	43.6	42.2	11.20	11.25	10.79
Nondurable Goods	426.22	436.31	405.00	42.2	43.5	41.2	10.10	10.03	9.83
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	489.50	498.67	481.12	41.1	41.8	41.8	11.91	11.93	11.51
Durable Goods	514.11	518.32	510.27	40.9	41.3	42.7	12.57	12.55	11.95
Nondurable Goods	440.91	463.10	415.26	41.4	42.8	39.7	10.65	10.82	10.46
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	553.72	577.30	554.62	43.6	45.6	44.8	12.70	12.66	12.38
Durable Goods	465.66	500.02	479.00	42.8	46.0	44.6	10.88	10.87	10.74
Nondurable Goods	673.46	684.62	662.07	44.6	45.1	45.1	15.10	15.18	14.68
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	339.87	339.86	314.76	41.6	41.7	39.1	8.17	8.15	8.05
Durable Goods	350.63	343.90	325.48	42.5	42.3	39.5	8.25	8.13	8.24
Nondurable Goods	329.26	336.60	305.36	40.7	41.2	38.8	8.09	8.17	7.87

✤Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Trade Contractors. Transportation and Public Utilities also generated an additional 11,000 jobs between 1990 and 1991. Most sectors of Transportation, except railroads, exhibited moderate expansion, as did Utilities. The gain in Communications was smaller.

Although on average employment in Mining was up by close to 4,000 jobs over the year, levels of employment for the last half of 1991 were below those for the same period in 1990, indicating a new period of reduction.

Federal Government jobs declined by close to 7,000 in 1991, due in part to completion of work on the 1990 Census. State Government rose moderately in 1991, and Local Government continued to add jobs to keep up with increasing demands for services due to population growth.

Over-the-Month Changes

Between December 1991 and January 1992, the number of unemployed Texans rose substantially, pushing the actual (not seasonally adjusted) unemployment rate up over the month from 6.7 percent to 8.3 percent. There were an estimated 721,800 Texans looking for work in mid-January, while total employment declined over the month to a level of 7,924,300.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	Jan.'92	Jan.'91
Total Population	17,251,110*	17,074,710*
% UI Covered Unemployment	2.1	1.7
UI Covered Employers	325,549	318,535
Total Claims Actions	956,572	795,913
Total Initial Claims Actions	111,714	98,576
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	844,858	697,337
Total Placements	26,656	28,150
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$165.57	$157.81
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	103,918,714	82,492,953

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**Regular State UI benefits.

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Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment decreased by 78,200 between December '91 and January '92. At 7,172,500, this was up 131,500 from January '91. **Nonmanufacturing** lost 76,400 jobs over the month. At 6,193,200, this was up 142,000 from a year ago. **Wholesale and Retail Trade** suffered the largest loss among the Nonmanufacturing industries. This was seasonal in nature as the holiday shopping season ended and temporary employees were laid off. Seasonal cutbacks also affected **Government**, down by 9,600, and **Services**, down by 2,700 over the month. A larger-than-usual downturn was seen in **Construction** as record January rainfalls in many areas of the state caused a drop of 7,200 jobs. **Transportation** fell by 3,200 over the month; **Finance, Insurance and Real Estate** declined by 1,400; and **Mining** decreased by 1,100. **Manufacturing** registered an overall loss of 1,800 from December '91, which was the same amount of the decrease in **Nondurable Goods**. **Durable Goods** remained the same over the month.

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JOB GROWTH INCREASES SLIGHTLY

Texas Unemployment Rate Declines

The Statewide actual (not seasonally adjusted) unemployment rate dropped from 8.3 percent in January to 7.9 percent in February 1992. Although the number of jobless Texans was down by about 40,000 over the month, the current level was still over 150,000 higher than the year-ago estimate. In February 1991, the Statewide unemployment rate was 6.2 percent. Total employment rose somewhat over the month, and the current level was also moderately above the year-ago level.

The Texas seasonally adjusted unemployment rate also declined over the month, from 7.8 percent in January to 7.3 percent in February. The year-ago seasonally adjusted rate for the State was 5.6 percent. The U. S. seasonally adjusted rate rose moderately, from 7.1 percent in January to 7.3 percent in February, which was above the year-ago level of 6.5 percent. The actual rate for the Nation was up, from 8.0 percent in January to 8.1 percent in February, compared to 7.2 percent one year ago.

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs Increase

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs increased by 18,800 between January and February 1992. **Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment** totaled 7,188,100 in February, up by 97,100 jobs from one year ago.

Total **Nonmanufacturing** increased by 19,900 over the month. At 6,210,400 this was up 105,700 from February '91. **Services** and **Government** reported the same increase from January, with both sectors going up by 12,200. The largest Government increase was in State Government, up by 6,700 over the month, due mostly to state universities and colleges being back to full staff after their winter break. Local Government increased by 5,700 as colleges and universities returned to normal staff loads, and communities which offered special programs for evening hours began new sessions. Federal Government showed a decline of 200 from January.

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Feb.'92	Jan. '92	Feb.'91
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	125,385.0	125,071.0	124,070.0
Unemployment	10,161.0	9,949.0	8,919.0
Percent Unemployed	**8.1%**	**8.0%**	**7.2%**
Total Employment	115,224.0	115,122.0	115,151.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	126,287.0	126,046.0	125,067.0
Unemployment	9,244.0	8,929.0	8,130.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.3%**	**7.1%**	**6.5%**
Total Employment	117,043.0	117,117.0	116,937.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,648.2	8,646.1	8,444.5
Unemployment	682.1	721.8	523.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.9%**	**8.3%**	**6.2%**
Total Employment	7,966.1	7,924.3	7,921.5
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,723.0	8,747.0	8,525.0
Unemployment	637.0	686.0	477.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.3%**	**7.8%**	**5.6%**
Total Employment	8,086.0	8,061.0	8,048.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES +
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	Feb.'92*	Jan.'92**	Feb.'91**	Feb.'92*	Jan.'92**	Feb.'91**	Feb.'92*	Jan.'92**	Feb.'91**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	51,400	51,500	50,300	97,100	97,300	95,400	455,700	455,400	442,700
Total Unemployment	3,500	3,700	2,600	5,800	6,500	4,400	24,000	26,100	18,500
Percent Unemployed	6.8%	7.2%	5.2%	6.0%	6.7%	4.6%	5.3%	5.7%	4.2%
Total Employment ++	47,900	47,800	47,700	91,300	90,800	91,000	431,700	429,300	424,200
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	177,200	177,200	168,400	94,900	94,900	92,100	112,600	111,700	106,700
Total Unemployment	16,000	17,100	10,500	7,700	7,800	4,500	16,100	16,400	13,400
Percent Unemployed	9.0%	9.7%	6.2%	8.1%	8.2%	4.9%	14.3%	14.7%	12.6%
Total Employment ++	161,200	160,100	157,900	87,200	87,100	87,600	96,500	95,300	93,300
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	65,300	63,600	63,700	167,500	168,000	161,900	1,453.2	1,452.2	1,428.8
Total Unemployment	2,600	3,000	2,200	17,000	18,000	11,500	107.0	112.9	74.9
Percent Unemployed	4.3%	4.7%	3.5%	10.1%	10.7%	7.1%	7.4%	7.8%	5.2%
Total Employment ++	62,500	60,600	61,500	150,500	150,000	150,400	1,346.2	1,339.3	1,353.9
		EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
Total Civilian Labor Force	254,600	256,000	248,400	735,800	735,300	730,000	113,400	113,400	108,700
Total Unemployment	29,400	31,600	26,200	53,900	57,600	42,900	10,000	10,500	7,300
Percent Unemployed	11.5%	12.3%	10.5%	7.3%	7.8%	5.9%	8.8%	9.3%	6.7%
Total Employment ++	225,200	224,400	222,200	681,900	677,700	687,100	103,400	102,900	101,400
		HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,770.4	1,771.3	1,721.5	99,300	99,200	95,600	56,500	56,400	55,700
Total Unemployment	125.6	132.1	83.8	8,400	9,100	6,500	5,500	5,900	6,600
Percent Unemployed	7.1%	7.5%	4.9%	8.5%	9.2%	6.8%	9.7%	10.5%	11.8%
Total Employment ++	1,644.8	1,639.2	1,637.7	90,900	90,100	89,100	51,000	50,500	49,100
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION	
Total Civilian Labor Force	82,200	82,400	79,100	115,700	115,700	113,800	166,500	167,000	168,600
Total Unemployment	8,100	8,600	6,000	7,900	8,200	5,200	31,800	32,800	34,600
Percent Unemployed	9.9%	10.4%	7.6%	6.8%	7.1%	4.6%	19.1%	19.6%	20.5%
Total Employment ++	74,100	73,800	73,100	107,800	107,500	108,600	134,700	134,200	134,000
		MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	49,600	49,600	47,200	55,000	54,700	51,700	45,100	45,300	43,100
Total Unemployment	3,500	3,500	2,200	5,200	5,100	2,700	2,900	3,200	1,900
Percent Unemployed	7.1%	7.1%	4.7%	9.5%	9.3%	5.2%	6.4%	7.1%	4.4%
Total Employment ++	46,100	46,100	45,000	49,800	49,600	49,000	42,200	42,100	41,200
		SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
Total Civilian Labor Force	613,600	610,400	601,000	46,700	47,000	46,800	58,100	58,400	56,600
Total Unemployment	44,100	45,900	37,800	3,600	4,000	2,900	4,800	5,200	3,800
Percent Unemployed	7.2%	7.5%	6.3%	7.7%	8.5%	6.2%	8.3%	8.9%	6.7%
Total Employment ++	569,500	564,500	563,200	43,100	43,000	43,900	53,300	53,200	52,800
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	75,500	76,100	75,400	38,600	38,800	37,000	92,400	92,100	92,800
Total Unemployment	5,600	6,300	4,700	2,400	2,700	1,700	6,200	6,800	5,400
Percent Unemployed	7.4%	8.3%	6.2%	6.2%	7.0%	4.6%	6.7%	7.4%	5.8%
Total Employment ++	69,900	69,800	70,700	36,200	36,100	35,300	86,200	85,300	87,400
		WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	55,100	55,100	54,400				8,648.2	8,646.1	8,444.5
Total Unemployment	4,000	4,300	3,600				682.1	721.8	523.0
Percent Unemployed	7.3%	7.8%	6.6%				7.9%	8.3%	6.2%
Total Employment ++	51,100	50,800	50,800				7,966.1	7,924.3	7,921.5

+ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

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The largest increase in Services was found in Health Services which went up by 4,900 over the month. Hospitals and Nursing and Personal Care Facilities remained the contributing factors for this acceleration, as the need persisted for more extended care facilities, as well as complete health care facilities. Engineering and Management Services increased by 1,500, while Educational Services went up by 1,300. Increased staffing was prevalent in colleges, universities and professional schools, as the new semester got underway. Personal Services rose by 900 due, in part, to seasonal hiring for preparation of income tax forms. Amusement, Including Motion Pictures went up by 300, while Hotels and Other Lodging Places increased by 100 from January. The only decline in Services occurred in Business and Repair Services which decreased by 400 over the month.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate recorded an increase of 1,600 jobs from January. Other Finance, Insurance and Real Estate had the largest gain, up 800 from one month ago. Depository Institutions, Including Banks, and Insurance Carriers, Agents and Brokers both reported increases of 400.

Wholesale and Retail Trade recorded the largest Nonmanufacturing loss, down by 3,300 over the month. Wholesale Trade declined by 1,200. Retail Trade, overall, lost 2,100 jobs from January. The largest Retail loss occurred in Apparel and Accessory Stores, which went down by 1,600. General Merchandise Stores decreased by 1,200, while Food Stores lost 800 jobs over the month. Other Retail Trade declined by 300 and Automotive Dealers and Service Stations decreased by 100. Two sectors of Trade increased from one month ago, Eating and Drinking Places, up by 1,400, and Building Materials and Garden Supplies, up by 500.

Employment in **Mining** declined by 2,100 in February, influenced by soft demand and lower prices for crude oil and natural gas. The loss was concentrated in Oil and Gas Extraction, which experienced a reduction of 2,000 jobs.

Construction employment dropped slightly over the month, reflecting seasonal curtailments amounting to 400 jobs.

Transportation and Public Utilities dropped 300 jobs, overall, from January. Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services declined by 400, showing up mostly in Electric Services. Other Transportation dropped by 100, with the decline showing up in Transportation by Air. Communications produced the only gain in Transportation,

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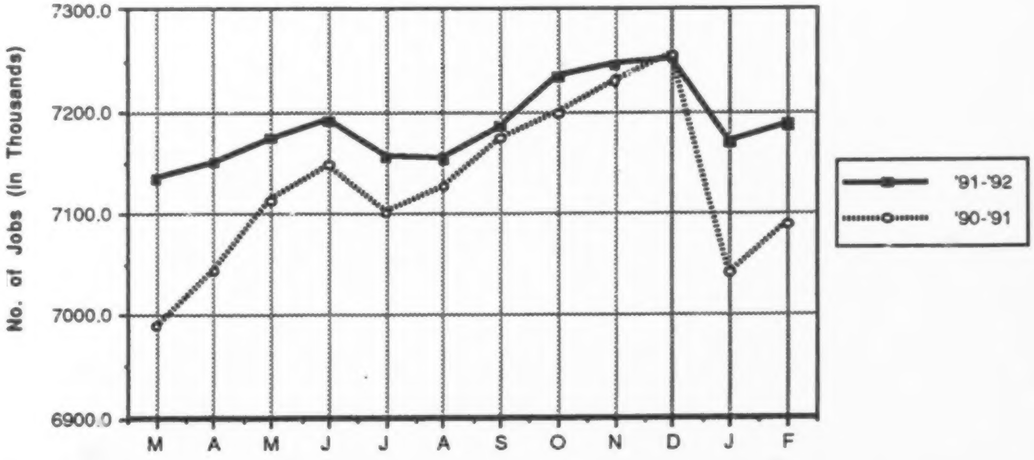
No. of Nonfarm Salaried Jobs in Texas
(In Thousands)
Most Current 12 Months & Year Ago



TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	FEB. '92*	JAN. '92**	FEB. '91**	Chg. from JAN. '92	Chg. from FEB. '91
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,188,100**	**7,169,300**	**7,091,000**	**18,800**	**97,100**
MANUFACTURING	**977,700**	**978,800**	**986,300**	**-1,100**	**-8,600**
Durable Goods	**551,500**	**552,500**	**566,800**	**-1,000**	**-15,300**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,000	29,900	29,300	100	700
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,500	6,600	6,500	-100	0
Furniture & Fixtures	16,400	16,200	16,100	200	300
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	34,300	34,400	34,300	-100	0
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,600	14,600	14,800	0	-200
Primary Metal Industries	30,300	30,300	31,000	0	-700
Fabricated Metal Industries	80,700	81,200	83,300	-500	-2,600
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	38,700	38,900	39,600	-200	-900
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	114,500	114,700	119,100	-200	-4,600
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	26,100	26,500	29,100	-400	-3,000
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	101,000	101,300	106,100	-300	-5,100
Transportation Equipment	86,800	87,100	90,300	-300	-3,500
Aircraft & Parts	59,600	59,900	64,500	-300	-4,900
Instruments & Related Prod.	40,800	40,700	41,000	100	-200
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	16,700	16,700	16,300	0	400
Nondurable Goods	**426,200**	**426,300**	**419,500**	**-100**	**6,700**
Food & Kindred Products	95,700	96,000	96,900	-300	-1,200
Meat Products	30,800	30,700	30,700	100	100
Dairy Products	4,300	4,200	4,300	100	0
Bakery Products	10,100	10,200	10,300	-100	-200
Malt Beverages	3,100	3,100	2,900	0	200
Textile Mill Products	4,000	3,900	3,900	100	100
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	58,400	58,400	55,700	0	2,700
Paper & Allied Products	25,300	25,300	25,000	0	300
Printing & Publishing	76,400	76,200	75,300	200	1,100
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	36,600	36,300	35,600	300	1,000
Chemicals & Allied Products	87,200	87,200	84,100	0	3,100
Petroleum & Coal Products	30,100	30,300	29,200	-200	900
Petroleum Refining	27,300	27,500	26,300	-200	1,000
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	41,500	41,400	41,700	100	-200
Leather & Leather Products	7,500	7,500	7,600	0	-100
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,210,400**	**6,190,500**	**6,104,700**	**19,900**	**105,700**
Mining	**176,700**	**178,800**	**186,300**	**-2,100**	**-9,600**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,200	9,300	9,200	-100	0
Oil & Gas Extraction	167,500	169,500	177,100	-2,000	-9,600
Construction	**341,800**	**342,200**	**334,700**	**-400**	**7,100**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**433,200**	**433,500**	**426,500**	**-300**	**6,700**
Railroad Transportation	16,800	16,800	17,200	0	-400
Other Transportation	248,500	248,600	240,200	-100	8,300
Transportation by Air	79,700	79,800	76,400	-100	3,300
Communications	88,000	87,800	89,300	200	-1,300
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	79,900	80,300	79,800	-400	100
Electric Services	40,100	40,400	40,400	-300	-300
Gas Production & Distribution	27,800	27,800	28,100	0	-300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,721,500**	**1,724,800**	**1,700,100**	**-3,300**	**21,400**
Wholesale Trade	432,600	433,800	431,600	-1,200	1,000
Retail Trade	1,288,900	1,291,000	1,268,500	-2,100	20,400
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	39,100	38,600	38,500	500	600
General Merchandise Stores	172,200	173,400	169,700	-1,200	2,500
Food Stores	239,200	240,000	233,500	-800	5,700
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	132,500	132,600	131,200	-100	1,300
Apparel & Accessory Stores	75,400	77,000	79,300	-1,600	-3,900
Eating & Drinking Places	441,500	440,100	430,000	1,400	11,500
Other Retail Trade	189,000	189,300	186,300	-300	2,700
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**427,700**	**426,100**	**426,600**	**1,600**	**1,100**
Depository Insts., Incl. Banks	119,100	118,700	122,000	400	-2,900
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	144,400	144,000	142,800	400	1,600
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	164,200	163,400	161,800	800	2,400
Services	**1,805,900**	**1,793,700**	**1,736,900**	**12,200**	**69,000**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	82,100	82,000	81,900	100	200
Personal Services	83,500	82,600	81,900	900	1,600
Business & Repair Services	450,900	451,300	447,000	-400	3,900
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	88,600	88,300	76,200	300	12,400
Health Services	530,300	525,400	491,200	4,900	39,100
Educational Services	89,400	88,100	89,600	1,300	-200
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	157,300	155,800	153,700	1,500	3,600
Other Services & Miscellaneous	323,800	320,200	315,400	3,600	8,400
Total Government	**1,303,600**	**1,291,400**	**1,293,600**	**12,200**	**10,000**
Federal Government	199,700	199,900	197,700	-200	2,000
State Government	286,900	280,200	276,100	6,700	10,800
Local Government	817,000	811,300	819,800	5,700	-2,800

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
	Feb.'92*	Jan. '92**	Feb.'91**	Feb.'92*	Jan. '92**	Feb.'91**	Feb.'92*	Jan. '92**	Feb.'91**	Feb.'92*	Jan. '92**	Feb.'91**
TOTAL	**49,200**	**49,100**	**48,700**	**79,300**	**78,800**	**78,400**	**395,500**	**393,900**	**386,900**	**152,400**	**151,600**	**148,100**
Manufacturing	4,400	4,400	4,200	8,900	8,700	8,600	51,100	51,300	50,600	25,800	25,900	25,900
Mining	1,400	1,400	1,600	800	800	1,000	700	700	700	2,000	2,000	1,900
Construction	1,600	1,500	1,300	2,700	2,800	2,900	12,600	12,500	12,100	16,400	16,500	15,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,600	2,600	2,600	5,500	5,600	5,300	13,100	13,100	12,300	10,000	9,900	9,800
Trade	13,000	13,000	12,900	22,700	22,500	22,100	78,400	79,100	76,600	33,000	32,700	32,400
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	2,000	1,900	4,200	4,100	4,200	23,200	23,000	23,000	5,100	5,100	4,900
Services & Misc.	15,000	15,000	14,900	18,500	18,400	18,500	101,500	100,900	97,600	37,800	37,400	35,800
Government	9,200	9,200	9,300	16,000	15,900	15,800	114,900	113,300	114,000	22,300	22,100	22,000

	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	**71,300**	**71,500**	**71,000**	**79,800**	**79,300**	**76,900**	**57,600**	**55,700**	**56,500**	**134,100**	**134,700**	**133,600**
Manufacturing	17,400	17,400	17,100	11,800	11,700	11,300	3,800	3,800	3,400	12,800	13,000	12,900
Mining	2,000	2,000	2,200	—	—	—	600	600	700	3,600	3,700	3,900
Construction	11,300	11,700	11,600	2,300	2,300	2,200	1,700	1,700	1,800	11,000	11,300	10,700
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	3,000	3,600	3,600	3,300	1,400	1,400	1,400	6,700	6,900	6,800
Trade	12,700	12,700	12,300	21,600	21,500	21,200	12,500	11,900	12,000	31,400	31,700	31,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,800	3,700	3,600	1,800	1,700	1,800	5,800	5,700	6,000
Services & Misc.	10,800	10,800	10,400	18,600	18,600	17,600	10,800	10,700	10,900	32,900	32,800	31,900
Government	12,400	12,200	12,500	18,100	17,900	17,700	25,000	23,900	24,500	29,900	29,600	30,300

	DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	**1,371.4**	**1,368.2**	**1,370.4**	**210,700**	**210,400**	**207,000**	**581,400**	**579,600**	**582,300**	**78,000**	**78,100**	**76,400**
Manufacturing	210.3	210.3	217.1	40,500	40,700	40,500	102,900	103,700	111,000	8,700	8,700	8,700
Mining	17.8	17.9	18.3	—	—	—	4,200	4,300	4,300	700	800	700
Construction	42.6	42.0	45.2	8,000	7,900	7,800	18,900	19,200	20,800	4,200	4,300	4,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	85.0	84.3	82.3	10,700	10,700	10,600	58,800	58,600	56,900	5,600	5,600	5,000
Trade	352.1	353.5	349.6	52,600	53,000	51,400	144,700	145,100	146,500	16,100	16,200	15,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	126.5	126.3	127.6	8,200	8,200	8,100	27,700	27,600	28,800	5,500	5,500	5,300
Services & Misc.	369.1	368.6	364.6	44,600	44,600	43,300	144,200	142,200	138,200	14,200	14,300	14,000
Government	168.0	165.3	165.7	46,100	45,300	45,300	80,000	78,900	75,800	23,000	22,700	22,700

	HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	**1,626.6**	**1,626.1**	**1,611.6**	**75,100**	**74,700**	**73,400**	**48,600**	**48,400**	**46,800**	**70,700**	**70,400**	**69,400**
Manufacturing	180.1	180.9	181.4	7,900	7,900	8,700	1.700	1,600	1,800	15,900	15,800	16,000
Mining	67.8	68.2	69.7	—	—	—	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,400	3,400	3,700
Construction	111.0	110.9	111.5	2,300	2,300	2,300	1,600	1,500	1,400	3,800	3,600	3,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	111.2	112.1	113.8	2,600	2,600	2,500	7,400	7,300	7,100	3,500	3,500	3,500
Trade	378.3	380.8	373.8	16,600	16,400	15,700	14,900	15,000	14,300	17,500	17,700	17,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	98.9	98.4	100.2	3,200	3,200	3,200	1,900	1,900	2,000	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	460.8	458.3	445.8	18,600	18,700	17,900	8,300	8,300	7,800	14,600	14,500	14,100
Government	218.5	216.5	215.4	23,900	23,600	23,100	10,900	10,900	10,500	9,400	9,300	9,200

	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	**97,700**	**97,500**	**97,700**	**105,300**	**105,400**	**103,600**	**46,100**	**46,200**	**44,700**	**45,400**	**45,500**	**44,500**
Manufacturing	6,900	6,900	7,100	12,600	12,400	13,600	2,400	2,400	2,200	4,400	4,500	4,400
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	900	9,400	9,700	9,500	5,400	5,500	5,200
Construction	3,800	3,800	3,100	4,400	4,300	4,100	1,400	1,400	1,200	2,600	2,500	2,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,400	5,600	5,700	3,100	3,100	3,100	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,200
Trade	26,800	26,600	27,700	32,300	32,400	31,200	10,800	10,900	10,500	12,300	12,400	12,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	4,600	4,600	4,700	3,800	3,800	3,900	2,200	2,200	2,400	1,300	1,400	1,400
Services & Misc.	26,100	25,900	25,600	18,900	18,900	18,800	10,100	10,000	9,300	9,000	8,900	8,500
Government	23,900	23,900	23,600	29,400	29,700	28,000	7,500	7,300	7,300	8,100	8,000	8,100

	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	**38,000**	**37,800**	**36,900**	**530,700**	**526,800**	**520,900**	**37,000**	**36,900**	**37,700**	**47,000**	**46,700**	**46,100**
Manufacturing	5,100	5,000	4,900	46,100	45,800	45,300	10,000	10,000	10,900	6,200	6,300	6,900
Mining	500	500	600	1,900	1,900	1,900	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,000	1,100	1,100	22,200	21,900	21,600	1,500	1,500	1,600	1,400	1,400	1,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,800	2,800	23,100	23,100	22,200	1,700	1,700	1,600	2,200	2,200	2,300
Trade	9,300	9,200	8,900	127,400	129,000	126,900	7,600	7,600	7,600	11,100	10,900	10,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,500	1,500	1,500	38,300	38,100	38,600	2,000	2,000	2,100	1,700	1,600	1,700
Services & Misc.	10,100	10,000	9,300	146,800	143,500	143,400	9,600	9,600	9,400	11,900	11,900	11,100
Government	7,800	7,700	7,800	124,900	123,500	121,000	4,600	4,500	4,500	12,400	12,300	12,100

	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	**63,000**	**63,100**	**63,700**	**30,500**	**30,600**	**29,400**	**82,300**	**81,600**	**82,800**	**50,300**	**50,100**	**49,300**
Manufacturing	10,800	10,800	11,100	2,900	2,900	3,000	15,000	15,000	15,700	8,000	8,000	8,100
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,800	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	2,100	2,100	1,800	1,900	1,900	1,700	3,000	2,900	3,000	1,400	1,400	1,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,900	2,900	2,900	1,500	1,500	1,500	3,300	3,300	3,400	2,700	2,700	2,600
Trade	16,000	16,100	15,900	8,400	8,500	7,800	18,900	19,100	18,900	11,700	11,700	11,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,100	3,100	3,400	1,600	1,600	1,700	5,200	5,200	5,300	2,200	2,200	2,200
Services & Misc.	16,300	16,300	16,200	7,100	7,200	6,500	23,000	22,400	22,700	12,800	12,800	12,300
Government	10,100	10,100	10,700	5,400	5,300	5,400	13,900	13,700	13,800	10,100	9,900	9,900

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✣

	Average	Weekly	Earnings	Average	Weekly	Hours	Average	Hourly	Earnings
	Feb.'92*	Jan.'92	Feb.'91	Feb.'92*	Jan.'92	Feb.'91	Feb.'92*	Jan.'92	Feb.'91
				FOR TEXAS					
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 465.98	$ 462.26	$ 441.08	42.4	42.1	41.3	$ 10.99	$10.98	$10.68
Durable Goods	454.10	453.46	432.02	42.4	42.3	41.5	10.71	10.72	10.41
Lumber & Wood Products	321.30	321.64	303.55	42.0	42.1	40.8	7.65	7.64	7.44
Furniture & Fixtures	325.26	336.96	268.92	41.7	43.2	36.0	7.80	7.80	7.47
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	414.62	416.63	411.20	43.1	42.6	42.7	9.62	9.78	9.63
Primary Metal Industries	506.78	509.54	468.83	43.5	43.7	41.6	11.65	11.66	11.27
Fabricated Metal Products	439.81	439.89	415.59	42.7	43.0	42.8	10.30	10.23	9.71
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	446.83	451.77	447.12	42.8	42.7	43.2	10.44	10.58	10.35
Oil Field Machinery	551.30	543.31	577.51	46.8	46.2	49.7	11.78	11.76	11.62
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	448.11	445.82	444.80	40.7	40.2	40.0	11.01	11.09	11.12
Transportation Equipment	627.88	617.58	559.10	42.8	42.3	40.9	14.67	14.60	13.67
Instruments & Related Prod.	447.20	428.40	421.04	43.0	42.0	41.4	10.40	10.20	10.17
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	321.07	317.46	283.88	40.9	40.7	37.5	7.85	7.80	7.57
Nondurable Goods	478.84	473.47	450.31	42.3	41.9	40.9	11.32	11.30	11.01
Food & Kindred Products	385.10	379.64	368.58	42.6	41.4	41.6	9.04	9.17	8.86
Meat Products	287.00	275.22	278.88	41.0	39.6	41.5	7.00	6.95	6.72
Malt Beverages	901.51	940.80	940.32	45.6	47.3	49.7	19.77	19.89	18.92
Textile Mill Products	377.36	383.49	343.73	44.5	44.8	43.4	8.48	8.56	7.92
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	241.64	239.90	215.94	38.6	38.2	36.6	6.26	6.28	5.90
Paper & Allied Products	520.70	534.61	490.45	43.5	44.7	42.5	11.97	11.96	11.54
Printing & Publishing	424.60	430.56	424.63	38.6	39.0	39.1	11.00	11.04	10.86
Chemicals & Allied Products	761.40	754.65	732.92	45.0	45.0	43.6	16.92	16.77	16.81
Petroleum & Coal Products	884.04	828.99	779.22	47.3	45.3	44.4	18.69	18.30	17.55
Petroleum Refining	917.19	858.51	811.27	47.4	45.4	44.6	19.35	18.91	18.19
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	419.90	412.73	387.98	44.2	43.4	41.1	9.50	9.51	9.44
Leather & Leather Products	269.01	274.53	272.45	39.1	39.5	39.6	6.88	6.95	6.88
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	688.64	658.37	652.28	44.2	43.2	46.0	15.58	15.24	14.18
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	657.45	613.18	624.00	48.2	46.0	50.0	13.64	13.33	12.48
Oil & Gas Extraction	690.11	660.91	654.48	43.9	43.0	45.8	15.72	15.37	14.29
Communications	568.51	571.54	538.68	43.2	43.2	40.2	13.16	13.23	13.40
Elec., Gas & San. Services	586.45	570.15	575.94	42.1	41.8	43.5	13.93	13.64	13.24
Wholesale & Retail Trade	255.96	252.01	244.48	32.4	31.9	32.0	7.90	7.90	7.64
Wholesale Trade	451.45	443.85	429.95	40.2	39.7	39.7	11.23	11.18	10.83
Retail Trade	196.55	193.88	186.48	30.1	29.6	29.6	6.53	6.55	6.30
General Merchandise Stores	193.05	189.73	181.55	29.7	29.1	28.5	6.50	6.52	6.37
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	350.73	326.47	319.59	39.1	36.6	36.4	8.97	8.92	8.78

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 441.56	$ 442.57	$ 424.54	41.5	41.4	40.9	$ 10.64	$ 10.69	$ 10.38
Durable Goods	455.40	461.61	443.98	41.4	41.4	41.3	11.00	11.15	10.75
Nondurable Goods	418.08	413.34	392.35	41.6	41.5	40.2	10.05	9.96	9.76
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	492.34	490.69	456.74	41.2	41.2	40.1	11.95	11.91	11.39
Durable Goods	517.39	512.45	475.91	40.9	40.8	40.4	12.65	12.56	11.78
Nondurable Goods	443.69	448.75	416.99	41.7	41.9	39.6	10.64	10.71	10.53
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	565.36	554.16	555.17	44.1	43.6	44.7	12.82	12.71	12.42
Durable Goods	479.39	467.41	480.53	43.7	43.0	44.7	10.97	10.87	10.75
Nondurable Goods	680.60	672.66	660.08	44.6	44.4	44.6	15.26	15.15	14.80
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	338.25	334.97	321.17	41.3	41.1	39.7	8.19	8.15	8.09
Durable Goods	356.15	346.06	333.20	42.5	42.1	40.0	8.38	8.22	8.33
Nondurable Goods	321.20	325.62	309.29	40.1	40.3	39.3	8.01	8.08	7.87

✣Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

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up by 200 over the month.

Manufacturing lost 1,100 jobs from January. **Durable Goods** was down by 1,000. The largest loss in Durables occurred in Fabricated Metal Industries which was down by 500 over the month. Electronic and Other Electrical Equipment and Transportation Equipment were both down by 300. Industrial Machinery and Equipment declined by 200, while Stone, Clay and Glass Products lost 100 jobs over the month. A gain of 200 was seen in Furniture and Fixtures, while Instruments and Related Products increased by 100 from one month ago.

Nondurable Goods declined by 100 from January. Food and Kindred Products produced the largest decline in Nondurables, down 300 over the month. Petroleum and Coal Products lost 200 jobs which appeared in Petroleum Refining. An increase of 200 was reported in Printing and Publishing. Both Textile Mill Products and Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastics Products showed gains of 100 over the month.

Average Weekly Earnings Increase

For the estimated 642,300 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings increased by one cent over the month and Average Weeky Hours were up by three-tenths of an hour, causing Average Weekly Earnings to increase by $3.72 from January.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	FEB.'92	FEB.'91
Total Population	17,560,400*	17,198,400*
% UI Covered Unemployment	2.3	1.9
UI Covered Employers	328,672	320,585
Total Claims Actions	849,405	687,787
Total Initial Claims Actions	86,031	70,902
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	763,374	616,885
Total Placements	22,959	34,991
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$165.57	$160.34
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	96,495,121	76,666,912

*Revised.
**Regular State UI benefits.

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In mid-February a worker, on average, was earning $10.99 per hour for a 42.4-hour week, and making $465.98 in weekly earnings.

Nondurable Goods reported an increase of $5.37 in Average Weekly Earnings over the month. The largest increase in Nondurables was seen in Petroleum and Coal Products in which Petroleum Refining increased by $58.68 over the month, due to an increase in overtime hours. Meat Products (within Food and Kindred Products) increased by $11.78, while Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastic Products went up by $7.17. The largest decrease in Nondurables was in Malt Beverages (within Food and Kindred Products), which fell by $39.29 over the month. Paper and Allied Products decreased by $13.91.

Durable Goods rose slightly in Average Weekly Earnings by sixty-four cents over the month. Instruments and Related Products produced the largest Durable gain, rising $18.80 from January. The largest Durable loss occurred in Furniture and Fixtures, down by $11.70 over the month.

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JOB GROWTH INCREASE CONTINUES

Jobless Rate Declines

The number of unemployed Texans declined by 40,400 between February and March in the actual (not seasonally adjusted) series. The March actual unemployment rate for the State was 7.4 percent, down from 7.9 percent in February, but up from the year-ago rate of 6.4 percent. There were an estimated 641,700 Texans looking for work in mid-March, while total employment rose over the month to a level of 8,057,100.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate rose from 7.3 percent in February to 7.6 percent in March. In March 1991 the rate was 6.7 percent. The U. S. seasonally adjusted rate remained the same over the month at 7.3 percent. The year-ago rate was 6.7 percent. The actual rate for the Nation fell from 8.1 percent in February to 7.7 percent in March. The year-ago rate was 7.1 percent.

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs Increase

The number of Nonfarm Salaried Jobs in Texas rose by 18,100 from February to March. **Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment** totaled 7,209,700 in March, up by 74,200 from one year ago. The current over-the-month increase was, however, less than half as large as the growth recorded in March 1990 and in March 1989, a sign that the State's economy is still rather stagnant. Total **Nonmanufacturing** rose by 20,400 from February. At 6,234,700, this was up by 86,500 from March '91.

Wholesale and Retail Trade reported the largest Nonmanufacturing gain, rising by 9,400 over the month. Eating and Drinking Places within Retail Trade showed a seasonal increase of 9,200 from February. Seasonal influences also played a part in the increase of 2,000 in Building Materials and Garden Supplies. Other Retail gains were seen in Automotive Dealers and Service Stations which went up by 600, and in Food Stores, which rose by 300. Wholesale Trade also

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Mar.'92	Feb. '92	Mar.'91
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	125,797.0	125,385.0	124,443.0
Unemployment	9,691.0	10,161.0	8,804.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.7%**	**8.1%**	**7.1%**
Total Employment	116,106.0	115,224.0	115,639.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	126,591.0	126,287.0	125,250.0
Unemployment	9,243.0	9,244.0	8,416.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.3%**	**7.3%**	**6.7%**
Total Employment	117,348.0	117,043.0	116,834.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,698.8	8,648.2	8,527.9
Unemployment	641.7	682.1	549.9
Percent Unemployed	**7.4%**	**7.9%**	**6.4%**
Total Employment	8,057.1	7,966.1	7,978.0
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,768.0	8,723.0	8,598.0
Unemployment	667.0	637.0	572.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.6%**	**7.3%**	**6.7%**
Total Employment	8,101.0	8,086.0	8,026.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Mar.'92*	Feb.'92**	Mar.'91**	Mar.'92*	Feb.'92**	Mar.'91**	Mar.'92*	Feb.'92**	Mar.'91**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	51,800	51,500	50,500	97,600	96,700	96,100	460,200	456,400	446,300
Total Unemployment	3,400	3,500	2,800	5,600	5,700	4,700	23,800	23,900	20,200
Percent Unemployed	**6.6%**	**6.8%**	**5.5%**	**5.7%**	**5.9%**	**4.9%**	**5.2%**	**5.2%**	**4.5%**
Total Employment ++	48,400	48,000	47,700	92,000	91,000	91,400	436,400	432,500	426,100
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	178,500	177,000	170,600	95,400	94,700	92,800	112,800	112,500	108,900
Total Unemployment	14,900	15,900	10,800	7,200	7,700	4,700	14,400	16,100	13,900
Percent Unemployed	**8.3%**	**9.0%**	**6.3%**	**7.5%**	**8.1%**	**5.1%**	**12.8%**	**14.3%**	**12.8%**
Total Employment ++	163,600	161,100	159,800	88,200	87,000	88,100	98,400	96,400	95,000
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	65,700	65,000	64,400	168,500	167,300	164,400	1,458.6	1,452.0	1,438.2
Total Unemployment	2,300	2,700	2,000	15,900	17,000	11,700	101.6	106.9	80.6
Percent Unemployed	**3.5%**	**4.2%**	**3.1%**	**9.4%**	**10.2%**	**7.1%**	**7.0%**	**7.4%**	**5.6%**
Total Employment ++	63,400	62,300	62,400	152,600	150,300	152,700	1,357.0	1,345.1	1,357.6
		EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
Total Civilian Labor Force	256,600	255,700	250,500	738,600	735,200	735,100	114,500	113,300	110,100
Total Unemployment	27,500	29,400	27,200	50,900	54,000	46,200	9,300	10,000	7,500
Percent Unemployed	**10.7%**	**11.5%**	**10.9%**	**6.9%**	**7.3%**	**6.3%**	**8.1%**	**8.8%**	**6.8%**
Total Employment ++	229,100	226,300	223,300	687,700	681,200	688,900	105,200	103,300	102,600
		HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,780.1	1,770.1	1,741.9	99,500	99,200	95,900	56,300	56,200	56,300
Total Unemployment	121.1	125.8	90.8	7,800	8,400	6,500	5,100	5,500	6,700
Percent Unemployed	**6.8%**	**7.1%**	**5.2%**	**7.8%**	**8.5%**	**6.8%**	**9.1%**	**9.8%**	**11.9%**
Total Employment ++	1,659.0	1,644.3	1,651.1	91,700	90,800	89,400	51,200	50,700	49,600
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION	
Total Civilian Labor Force	82,500	82,200	79,800	116,600	115,800	114,600	165,100	166,700	170,000
Total Unemployment	7,700	8,100	6,100	7,400	7,900	5,900	28,000	31,800	33,700
Percent Unemployed	**9.3%**	**9.9%**	**7.6%**	**6.3%**	**6.8%**	**5.1%**	**17.0%**	**19.1%**	**19.8%**
Total Employment ++	74,800	74,100	73,700	109,200	107,900	108,700	137,100	134,900	136,300
		MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	50,000	49,700	48,000	55,000	54,800	52,200	45,500	45,100	43,500
Total Unemployment	3,500	3,500	2,400	5,100	5,100	3,100	2,800	2,900	2,100
Percent Unemployed	**7.0%**	**7.0%**	**5.0%**	**9.3%**	**9.3%**	**5.9%**	**6.2%**	**6.4%**	**4.8%**
Total Employment ++	46,500	46,200	45,600	49,900	49,700	49,100	42,700	42,200	41,400
		SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
Total Civilian Labor Force	617,900	612,200	606,300	46,900	46,900	46,800	58,500	58,300	56,600
Total Unemployment	40,200	43,900	39,100	3,400	3,600	3,100	4,600	4,800	3,800
Percent Unemployed	**6.5%**	**7.2%**	**6.4%**	**7.2%**	**7.7%**	**6.6%**	**7.9%**	**8.2%**	**6.7%**
Total Employment ++	577,700	568,300	567,200	43,500	43,300	43,700	53,900	53,500	52,800
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	75,700	75,400	75,900	39,100	38,600	37,100	93,500	92,800	92,500
Total Unemployment	5,200	5,600	4,900	2,400	2,400	1,600	6,000	6,200	5,200
Percent Unemployed	**6.9%**	**7.4%**	**6.5%**	**6.1%**	**6.2%**	**4.3%**	**6.4%**	**6.7%**	**5.6%**
Total Employment ++	70,500	69,800	71,000	36,700	36,200	35,500	87,500	86,600	87,300
		WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	55,700	55,200	54,500				8,698.8	8,648.2	8,527.9
Total Unemployment	4,000	4,100	3,700				641.7	682.1	549.9
Percent Unemployed	**7.2%**	**7.4%**	**6.8%**				**7.4%**	**7.9%**	**6.4%**
Total Employment ++	51,700	51,100	50,800				8,057.1	7,966.1	7,978.0

✚ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

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increased by 300. Other Retail Trade experienced the largest decrease in Trade overall. It fell by 1,900 from February. General Merchandise Stores declined by 700, while Apparel and Accessory Stores decreased by 400 over the month.

Services rose by 5,300 from one month ago. Other Services and Miscellaneous showed the largest gain in this sector, rising by 4,100. This was due mostly to increases in Booster Clubs, Fraternal Associations, and Parent-Teacher Associations as they prepared for increased seasonal activities. Health Services went up by 1,200 over the month due to an ongoing need for more extended care facilities and more complete health care facilities. Amusement, Including Motion Pictures rose by 900 due to seasonal hiring. The outdoor sports and rodeo circuit across the State created most of the increase in temporary jobs. Engineering and Management Services was up by 600, while Educational Services rose by 200 over the month. Three declines occurred in Services. They were in Business and Repair Services, down by 1,100, in Personal Services and in Hotels and Other Lodging Places, both down by 300 from February.

Total **Government** increased over the month by 3,100 jobs. Local Government showed the largest gain in this sector, up by 1,700. Expanded business and election coverage for primaries required additional hiring in local administrative government. State Government increased by 1,200, while Federal Government rose by 200.

Spurred by lower interest rates and the return of more favorable weather, the **Construction** industry enjoyed a significant expansion in March, adding 2,000 jobs. General Building Contractors and Heavy Construction, Except Building gained the majority of the new positions.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate showed an overall increase of 800 over the month. The only decline in the F.I.R.E. sector appeared in Depository Institutions, Including Banks, down by 400. This decrease contributed to the sizeable negative movement from employment levels of a year ago.

Transportation and Public Utilities went up by 200 over the month. Other Transportation registered a gain of 200 with half of that recorded in Transportation by Air. Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services increased by 100, while Communications fell by that same amount.

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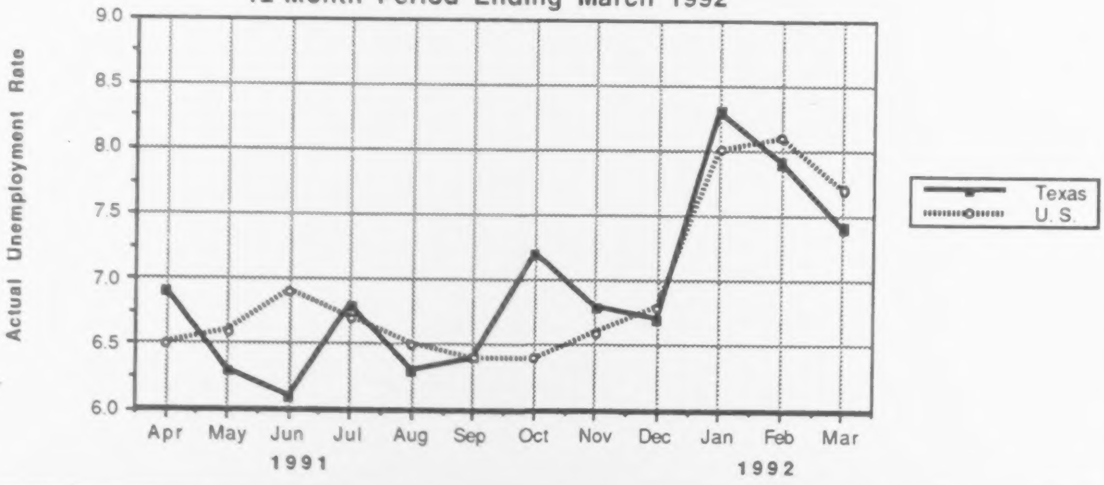
Actual (Not Seasonally Adjusted) Unemployment Rates for Texas and the U. S. 12-Month Period Ending March 1992



TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	MAR. '92*	FEB. '92**	MAR. '91**	Chg. from FEB. '92	Chg. from MAR. '91
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,209,700**	**7,191,600**	**7,135,500**	**18,100**	**74,200**
MANUFACTURING	**975,000**	**977,300**	**987,300**	**-2,300**	**-12,300**
Durable Goods	**548,600**	**551,700**	**568,400**	**-3,100**	**-19,800**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,100	30,000	29,600	100	500
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,300	6,300	6,700	0	-400
Furniture & Fixtures	16,500	16,400	15,900	100	600
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	34,200	34,300	34,600	-100	-400
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,600	14,600	15,000	0	-400
Primary Metal Industries	30,200	30,200	31,100	0	-900
Fabricated Metal Industries	80,100	80,800	83,100	-700	-3,000
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	38,600	38,800	39,400	-200	-800
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	114,800	114,500	119,900	300	-5,100
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	25,800	26,000	29,300	-200	-3,500
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	100,500	101,000	105,500	-500	-5,000
Transportation Equipment	84,400	86,800	91,400	-2,400	-7,000
Aircraft & Parts	59,500	59,500	63,700	0	-4,200
Instruments & Related Prod.	40,900	40,900	41,100	0	-200
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	16,900	16,800	16,200	100	700
Nondurable Goods	**426,400**	**425,600**	**418,900**	**800**	**7,500**
Food & Kindred Products	95,000	95,100	96,000	-100	-1,000
Meat Products	30,300	30,700	30,400	-400	-100
Dairy Products	4,300	4,200	4,200	100	100
Bakery Products	10,100	10,100	10,200	0	-100
Malt Beverages	3,100	3,100	2,900	0	200
Textile Mill Products	4,100	4,000	3,900	100	200
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	58,400	58,400	55,500	0	2,900
Paper & Allied Products	25,300	25,300	25,000	0	300
Printing & Publishing	76,300	76,100	75,400	200	900
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	36,500	36,300	35,600	200	900
Chemicals & Allied Products	87,200	87,200	84,500	0	2,700
Petroleum & Coal Products	30,400	30,200	29,300	200	1,100
Petroleum Refining	27,500	27,400	26,400	100	1,100
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	41,900	41,600	41,600	300	300
Leather & Leather Products	7,700	7,600	7,600	100	100
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,234,700**	**6,214,300**	**6,148,200**	**20,400**	**86,500**
Mining	**176,000**	**176,400**	**187,300**	**-400**	**-11,300**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,200	9,100	9,500	100	-300
Oil & Gas Extraction	166,800	167,300	177,800	-500	-11,000
Construction	**343,600**	**341,600**	**344,800**	**2,000**	**-1,200**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**432,700**	**432,500**	**429,100**	**200**	**3,600**
Railroad Transportation	16,800	16,800	17,200	0	-400
Other Transportation	248,400	248,200	241,800	200	6,600
Transportation by Air	79,900	79,800	76,700	100	3,200
Communications	87,900	88,000	90,000	-100	-2,100
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	79,600	79,500	80,100	100	-500
Electric Services	40,100	40,000	40,500	100	-400
Gas Production & Distribution	27,400	27,500	28,100	-100	-700
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,726,600**	**1,717,200**	**1,715,500**	**9,400**	**11,100**
Wholesale Trade	433,300	433,000	435,000	300	-1,700
Retail Trade	1,293,300	1,284,200	1,280,500	9,100	12,800
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	41,000	39,000	41,300	2,000	-300
General Merchandise Stores	168,200	168,900	169,100	-700	-900
Food Stores	239,400	239,100	234,400	300	5,000
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	132,900	132,300	132,100	600	800
Apparel & Accessory Stores	74,800	75,200	79,700	-400	-4,900
Eating & Drinking Places	451,100	441,900	436,500	9,200	14,600
Other Retail Trade	185,900	187,800	187,400	-1,900	-1,500
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**428,400**	**427,600**	**427,600**	**800**	**800**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	119,000	119,400	121,700	-400	-2,700
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	144,800	144,400	142,900	400	1,900
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	164,600	163,800	163,000	800	1,600
Services	**1,812,800**	**1,807,500**	**1,751,900**	**5,300**	**60,900**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	81,900	82,200	83,200	-300	-1,300
Personal Services	84,400	84,700	82,000	-300	2,400
Business & Repair Services	448,000	449,100	449,300	-1,100	-1,300
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	89,300	88,400	77,900	900	11,400
Health Services	531,100	529,900	494,700	1,200	36,400
Educational Services	91,400	91,200	88,900	200	2,500
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	158,200	157,600	154,400	600	3,800
Other Services & Miscellaneous	328,500	324,400	321,500	4,100	7,000
Total Government	**1,314,600**	**1,311,500**	**1,292,000**	**3,100**	**22,600**
Federal Government	200,000	199,800	196,800	200	3,200
State Government	288,300	287,100	275,700	1,200	12,600
Local Government	826,300	824,600	819,500	1,700	6,800

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	Mar.'92*	Feb. '92**	Mar.'91**	Mar.'92*	Feb. '92**	Mar.'91**	Mar.'92*	Feb. '92**	Mar.'91**	Mar.'92*	Feb. '92**	Mar.'91**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR	
TOTAL	49,300	49,300	48,600	79,400	79,200	79,000	396,000	395,700	389,200	153,100	152,400	149,900
Manufacturing	4,400	4,400	4,200	8,900	8,900	8,700	51,200	51,200	50,600	25,900	25,900	25,800
Mining	1,400	1,400	1,600	800	800	900	700	700	700	2,000	2,000	1,800
Construction	1,600	1,600	1,300	2,600	2,700	2,900	12,700	12,600	12,300	16,900	16,400	17,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,600	2,600	2,600	5,600	5,500	5,400	13,000	13,100	12,300	10,000	10,000	9,700
Trade	13,100	13,000	12,900	22,800	22,500	22,200	78,400	78,700	77,300	33,100	33,000	32,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	2,000	1,900	4,100	4,200	4,200	23,100	23,100	23,100	5,100	5,100	4,900
Services & Misc.	15,000	15,100	14,900	18,700	18,600	18,800	102,200	101,500	99,000	37,800	37,700	36,000
Government	9,200	9,200	9,200	15,900	16,000	15,900	114,700	114,800	113,900	22,300	22,300	22,100
		BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI	
TOTAL	71,700	71,200	71,700	80,400	79,900	78,000	58,100	57,600	57,400	135,200	134,300	135,300
Manufacturing	17,400	17,400	17,100	11,900	11,800	11,400	4,000	3,800	3,500	12,900	12,800	12,800
Mining	1,900	2,000	2,300	—	—	—	700	600	600	3,500	3,600	3,900
Construction	11,300	11,100	12,000	2,300	2,300	2,200	1,600	1,700	1,900	11,100	11,000	11,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,900	3,600	3,600	3,500	1,400	1,400	1,400	6,900	6,800	6,900
Trade	12,700	12,700	12,500	21,900	21,700	21,600	12,000	12,300	11,800	31,800	31,500	31,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,800	3,700	3,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	5,900	5,800	6,200
Services & Misc.	11,100	10,800	10,700	19,000	18,700	17,900	10,900	11,000	11,100	33,100	32,900	32,200
Government	12,600	12,500	12,300	17,900	18,100	17,600	25,700	25,000	25,300	30,000	29,900	30,200
		DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
TOTAL	1,372.7	1,371.1	1,375.4	212,500	211,600	208,000	582,600	581,200	584,500	78,600	77,800	77,200
Manufacturing	209.2	210.1	216.1	40,600	40,700	40,400	100,900	102,900	110,900	8,600	8,700	8,700
Mining	17.7	17.8	18.3	—	—	—	4,200	4,200	4,400	700	700	700
Construction	42.9	42.2	46.1	8,100	8,000	7,900	19,600	19,100	21,200	4,400	4,200	4,700
Trans., Comm. & Util.	85.2	85.0	82.9	10,700	10,700	10,600	59,000	58,700	57,100	5,500	5,500	4,900
Trade	354.5	352.6	351.6	53,300	52,900	52,100	145,300	144,500	147,000	16,300	15,900	16,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	125.7	126.4	127.7	8,100	8,200	8,100	27,800	27,800	28,700	5,400	5,500	5,400
Services & Misc.	368.9	368.9	366.3	45,200	44,700	43,700	145,800	144,000	139,600	14,500	14,200	14,200
Government	168.6	168.1	166.4	46,500	46,400	45,200	80,000	80,000	75,600	23,200	23,100	22,500
		HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL	
TOTAL	1,629.7	1,628.2	1,624.3	75,200	75,000	73,600	48,800	48,600	47,200	71,000	70,500	70,100
Manufacturing	179.9	180.2	182.4	8,000	7,900	8,600	1,700	1,800	1,800	16,300	15,800	16,200
Mining	67.4	67.8	70.1	—	—	—	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,400	3,400	3,600
Construction	111.9	111.2	115.1	2,300	2,300	2,400	1,600	1,600	1,400	3,800	3,800	3,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	111.0	111.4	114.3	2,600	2,600	2,500	7,400	7,400	7,100	3,500	3,500	3,500
Trade	377.1	375.9	376.1	16,400	16,500	15,900	14,900	14,900	14,600	17,400	17,400	17,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	98.2	98.5	100.5	3,200	3,200	3,100	1,900	1,900	2,000	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	462.8	462.5	449.1	18,800	18,600	17,900	8,500	8,200	7,900	14,600	14,600	14,300
Government	221.4	220.7	216.7	23,900	23,900	23,200	10,900	10,900	10,500	9,400	9,400	9,300
		LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA	
TOTAL	97,900	97,800	97,800	106,000	105,700	104,500	46,100	46,300	45,100	45,100	45,400	44,700
Manufacturing	6,900	6,900	7,000	12,800	12,600	13,300	2,300	2,400	2,200	4,400	4,400	4,500
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	900	9,500	9,500	9,600	5,300	5,300	5,200
Construction	4,000	3,800	3,100	4,400	4,400	4,300	1,400	1,400	1,200	2,600	2,700	2,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,300	5,400	5,700	3,100	3,100	3,100	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,200
Trade	27,000	26,700	27,800	32,400	32,500	31,500	10,900	10,900	10,600	12,200	12,300	12,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	4,600	4,600	4,800	3,800	3,800	3,900	2,200	2,200	2,400	1,300	1,300	1,400
Services & Misc.	26,100	26,200	25,600	19,200	19,000	18,900	10,000	10,100	9,500	8,900	9,000	8,700
Government	23,800	24,000	23,600	29,500	29,500	28,600	7,500	7,500	7,300	8,100	8,100	8,100
		SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
TOTAL	37,800	38,100	37,200	532,800	529,600	524,500	37,000	37,100	37,200	47,200	47,000	46,300
Manufacturing	5,000	5,100	5,100	45,900	46,000	45,200	10,000	10,000	10,700	6,200	6,200	6,900
Mining	500	500	600	1,800	1,900	1,900	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,000	1,000	1,100	22,100	22,200	21,800	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,400	1,400	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,900	23,000	23,100	22,500	1,700	1,700	1,600	2,200	2,200	2,300
Trade	9,200	9,300	8,900	128,200	127,200	128,400	7,700	7,700	7,600	11,300	11,100	10,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,500	1,500	1,500	38,100	38,100	38,900	2,000	2,000	2,100	1,600	1,700	1,700
Services & Misc.	10,200	10,100	9,500	149,500	147,100	144,900	9,600	9,600	9,200	12,100	12,000	11,200
Government	7,600	7,800	7,600	124,200	124,000	120,900	4,500	4,600	4,500	12,300	12,300	11,900
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS	
TOTAL	63,400	63,100	64,200	30,900	30,700	30,000	82,700	82,800	82,900	50,100	50,300	49,500
Manufacturing	10,900	10,800	11,000	2,900	2,900	3,000	15,100	15,100	15,900	8,000	8,000	8,100
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,800	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	2,200	2,100	2,000	2,000	1,900	1,900	3,000	3,000	3,000	1,400	1,400	1,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,900	2,900	2,900	1,500	1,500	1,500	3,300	3,300	3,400	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	16,000	16,000	16,200	8,500	8,500	7,900	19,000	18,800	18,900	11,600	11,700	11,400
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,100	3,100	3,400	1,600	1,600	1,700	5,200	5,200	5,300	2,200	2,200	2,200
Services & Misc.	16,400	16,400	16,200	7,200	7,200	6,800	23,400	23,600	22,600	12,800	12,800	12,300
Government	10,200	10,100	10,800	5,500	5,400	5,400	13,700	13,800	13,800	10,000	10,100	9,900

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✣

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Mar.'92*	Feb.'92	Mar.'91	Mar.'92*	Feb.'92	Mar.'91	Mar.'92*	Feb.'92	Mar.'91
FOR TEXAS									
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 466.15	$ 463.36	$ 447.20	42.3	42.2	41.6	$ 11.02	$10.98	$10.75
Durable Goods	450.27	451.12	438.27	42.2	42.2	41.7	10.67	10.69	10.51
Lumber & Wood Products	321.06	317.34	307.65	42.3	41.7	41.8	7.59	7.61	7.36
Furniture & Fixtures	317.34	324.53	286.52	41.0	41.5	37.8	7.74	7.82	7.58
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	427.28	416.78	415.70	43.6	43.1	42.9	9.80	9.67	9.69
Primary Metal Industries	504.88	508.23	474.76	43.3	43.7	41.5	11.66	11.63	11.44
Fabricated Metal Products	429.17	425.46	417.18	42.2	42.0	42.7	10.17	10.13	9.77
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	447.20	444.32	455.62	43.0	42.6	43.6	10.40	10.43	10.45
Oil Field Machinery	545.62	542.08	577.80	46.2	45.9	49.3	11.81	11.81	11.72
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	441.34	444.80	435.97	39.3	40.4	39.1	11.23	11.01	11.15
Transportation Equipment	622.81	629.59	576.85	42.6	42.8	41.5	14.62	14.71	13.90
Instruments & Related Prod.	437.38	442.80	420.04	42.3	42.7	41.1	10.34	10.37	10.22
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	332.73	318.33	283.42	41.8	40.5	37.0	7.96	7.86	7.66
Nondurable Goods	485.35	478.55	457.47	42.5	42.2	41.4	11.42	11.34	11.05
Food & Kindred Products	390.15	383.95	380.33	42.5	42.1	42.4	9.18	9.12	8.97
Meat Products	288.97	283.20	282.24	40.7	40.0	42.0	7.10	7.08	6.72
Malt Beverages	922.14	907.44	1,022.69	47.0	45.9	53.6	19.62	19.77	19.08
Textile Mill Products	365.84	372.91	349.86	43.5	44.5	43.3	8.41	8.38	8.08
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	242.26	239.71	215.99	38.7	38.6	36.3	6.26	6.21	5.95
Paper & Allied Products	526.80	520.70	511.00	43.9	43.5	43.9	12.00	11.97	11.64
Printing & Publishing	439.30	425.25	428.93	39.9	38.8	39.9	11.01	10.96	10.75
Chemicals & Allied Products	760.35	758.70	734.71	44.7	45.0	44.1	17.01	16.85	16.66
Petroleum & Coal Products	905.82	899.62	794.77	47.7	47.7	44.5	18.99	18.86	17.86
Petroleum Refining	942.62	934.49	825.55	47.8	47.8	44.6	19.72	19.55	18.51
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	425.20	413.84	389.75	44.2	43.7	41.2	9.62	9.47	9.46
Leather & Leather Products	281.87	267.44	275.93	39.7	39.1	41.0	7.10	6.84	6.73
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	672.11	677.82	641.17	43.9	44.1	44.9	15.31	15.37	14.28
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	649.04	655.52	620.54	47.1	48.2	48.9	13.78	13.60	12.69
Oil & Gas Extraction	671.88	680.45	643.23	43.6	43.9	44.7	15.41	15.50	14.39
Communications	558.87	573.09	525.20	41.8	42.8	39.4	13.37	13.39	13.33
Elec., Gas & San. Services	573.53	579.60	566.04	41.5	42.0	42.4	13.82	13.80	13.35
Wholesale & Retail Trade	259.12	257.87	248.95	32.8	32.6	32.5	7.90	7.91	7.66
Wholesale Trade	452.65	453.78	432.92	40.2	40.3	39.9	11.26	11.26	10.85
Retail Trade	199.47	197.21	191.14	30.5	30.2	30.1	6.54	6.53	6.35
General Merchandise Stores	198.90	193.05	189.04	30.6	29.7	29.4	6.50	6.50	6.43
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	347.99	350.73	321.71	39.1	39.1	36.6	8.90	8.97	8.79

HOURS AND EARNINGS
FOR SELECTED
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 449.17	$ 437.78	$ 433.89	41.9	41.3	41.6	$ 10.72	$ 10.60	$ 10.43
Durable Goods	459.95	451.69	452.45	41.4	41.1	41.7	11.11	10.99	10.85
Nondurable Goods	431.54	415.00	402.82	42.6	41.5	41.4	10.13	10.00	9.73
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	485.80	492.79	465.28	41.1	41.1	40.6	11.82	11.99	11.46
Durable Goods	505.51	517.75	483.57	40.8	40.8	40.5	12.39	12.69	11.94
Nondurable Goods	449.70	446.84	425.95	41.6	41.8	40.8	10.81	10.69	10.44
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	563.64	566.60	560.45	44.0	44.3	44.8	12.81	12.79	12.51
Durable Goods	483.56	480.92	488.70	44.0	43.8	45.0	10.99	10.98	10.86
Nondurable Goods	670.12	681.58	664.54	44.0	44.9	44.6	15.23	15.18	14.90
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	348.55	341.92	320.35	42.3	41.8	39.5	8.24	8.18	8.11
Durable Goods	362.04	358.64	329.83	43.1	42.9	39.5	8.40	8.36	8.35
Nondurable Goods	336.94	326.01	311.66	41.7	40.7	39.5	8.08	8.01	7.89

✣Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Mining lost 400 jobs over the month. This was reflected in Oil and Gas Extraction, which lost 500 jobs from February. Metal and Coal and Nonmetallic Minerals, Except Fuel showed a gain of 100.

Manufacturing lost 2,300 jobs from February and 12,300 jobs from March '91. **Durable Goods** fell by 3,100 over the month. The largest Durable decrease was in Transportation Equipment. **Nondurable Goods** gained 800 jobs from February. The largest increase in Nondurables was found in Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastics Products, up by 300 over the month.

Average Weekly Earnings Rise

For the estimated 640,800 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings increased by four cents from February to March 1992. Average Weekly Hours were up by one-tenth of an hour, as Average Weekly Earnings increased by $2.79 over the month. This was $18.95 above the March '91 level of $447.20 per week.

In mid-March a worker, on average, was earning $11.02 per hour for a 42.3-hour work week and making $466.15 in average weekly earnings.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	MAR.'92	MAR.'91
Total Population	17,590,600*	17,228,600*
% UI Covered Unemployment	2.5	2.1
UI Covered Employers	328,113	319,843
Total Claims Actions	876,575	689,841
Total Initial Claims Actions	81,033	66,272
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	795,542	623,569
Total Placements	28,551	28,259
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$166.82	$161.39
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	101,737,658	75,259,536

*Revised.
**Regular State UI benefits.

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QUARTERLY UI BENEFITS PAID BY MSA FIRST QUARTER 1992 (JAN.-MAR.)

Abilene	$2,105,404
Amarillo	3,498,495
Austin	15,081,628
Beaumont-Port Arthur	10,898,579
Brazoria	5,288,598
Brownsville-Harlingen	8,282,243
Bryan-College Station	1,435,068
Corpus Christi	10,730,093
Dallas	85,647,647
El Paso	16,056,044
Fort Worth-Arlington	45,599,786
Galveston-Texas City	7,203,492
Houston	92,540,081
Killeen-Temple	3,617,728
Laredo	2,558,710
Longview-Marshall	5,850,439
Lubbock	4,386,568
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	15,108,366
Midland	2,218,763
Odessa	3,355,760
San Angelo	1,786,469
San Antonio	25,355,411
Sherman-Denison	2,863,225
Texarkana (Bowie Co. only)	1,946,822
Tyler	3,811,135
Victoria	1,380,188
Waco	4,567,003
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JOB GROWTH CONTINUES

Jobless Rate Remains Steady

There was little change in the unemployment picture for Texas between March and April, as the actual (not seasonally adjusted) unemployment rate was unchanged, at 7.4 percent. The current rate was moderately above the April 1991 rate of 6.9 percent. The number of jobless Texans rose by only 6,300 over the month, totaling 648,000 in mid-April. Total employment recorded a modest increase, rising to an estimated 8,086,800.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate decreased from 7.6 percent in March to 7.4 percent in April. In April 1991 the rate was 6.9 percent. The U. S. seasonally adjusted rate fell from 7.3 percent in March to 7.2 percent in April. The year-ago rate was 6.6 percent. The U. S. actual rate fell from 7.7 percent a month ago to 7.1 percent in April. One year ago that rate was 6.5 percent.

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs Increase

The number of Nonfarm Salaried Jobs in Texas rose by 25,500 from March to April 1992. **Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment** totaled 7,235,300 in April, up by 85,600 from one year ago. While this increase was quite a bit larger than the March-to-April change last year, it was only about half the size of the growth registered during the same period in 1990. Total **Nonmanufacturing** rose by 22,900 from March. At 6,257,600, this was up by 91,700 from April '91.

Wholesale and Retail Trade showed the largest increase in Nonmanufacturing, rising by 11,300 over the month. Retail Trade advanced by 11,500 over the month, while Wholesale Trade lost 200 jobs from March. Most of the gain in Retail appeared in Eating and Drinking Places, which increased by 7,900, signaling the beginning of this industry's busiest season. Both Food Stores and Apparel and Accessory Stores increased by 1,300 over the month, while Building Materials and Garden Supplies and General Merchandise Stores increased by 900 each.

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Apr.'92	Mar. '92	Apr.'91
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	125,878.0	125,797.0	124,727.0
Unemployment	8,945.0	9,691.0	8,049.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.1%**	**7.7%**	**6.5%**
Total Employment	116,933.0	116,106.0	116,678.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	126,830.0	126,591.0	125,644.0
Unemployment	9,155.0	9,243.0	8,256.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.2%**	**7.3%**	**6.6%**
Total Employment	117,675.0	117,348.0	117,388.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,734.8	8,698.8	8,618.9
Unemployment	648.0	641.7	594.2
Percent Unemployed	**7.4%**	**7.4%**	**6.9%**
Total Employment	8,086.8	8,057.1	8,024.7
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,744.0	8,768.0	8,638.0
Unemployment	643.0	667.0	593.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.4%**	**7.6%**	**6.9%**
Total Employment	8,101.0	8,101.0	8,045.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Apr.'92*	Mar.'92**	Apr.'91**	Apr.'92*	Mar.'92**	Apr.'91**	Apr.'92*	Mar.'92**	Apr.'91**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	51,600	51,800	51,400	98,000	97,600	97,800	461,900	460,900	451,200
Total Unemployment	3,100	3,300	3,300	5,600	5,600	5,200	22,700	23,800	21,200
Percent Unemployed	**6.0%**	**6.4%**	**6.4%**	**5.7%**	**5.7%**	**5.3%**	**4.9%**	**5.2%**	**4.7%**
Total Employment ++	48,500	48,500	48,100	92,400	92,000	92,600	439,200	437,100	430,000
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	179,900	178,400	171,300	96,500	95,600	93,600	113,800	112,900	109,800
Total Unemployment	15,000	14,900	12,300	7,200	7,200	5,300	14,100	14,400	14,900
Percent Unemployed	**8.3%**	**8.4%**	**7.2%**	**7.5%**	**7.5%**	**5.7%**	**12.4%**	**12.8%**	**13.6%**
Total Employment ++	164,900	163,500	159,000	89,300	88,400	88,300	99,700	98,500	94,900
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	66,300	64,700	64,900	169,500	168,300	166,300	1,462.6	1,459.4	1,450.2
Total Unemployment	2,300	2,300	2,200	16,700	15,900	13,200	102.8	101.9	90.8
Percent Unemployed	**3.5%**	**3.6%**	**3.4%**	**9.9%**	**9.4%**	**7.9%**	**7.0%**	**7.0%**	**6.3%**
Total Employment ++	64,000	62,400	62,700	152,800	152,400	153,100	1,359.8	1,357.5	1,359.4
		EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
Total Civilian Labor Force	256,900	256,100	253,200	747,600	738,900	743,900	115,100	114,200	112,300
Total Unemployment	27,400	27,500	29,000	56,200	51,000	51,800	9,800	9,400	8,000
Percent Unemployed	**10.7%**	**10.7%**	**11.5%**	**7.5%**	**6.9%**	**7.0%**	**8.5%**	**8.2%**	**7.1%**
Total Employment ++	229,500	228,600	224,200	691,400	687,900	692,100	105,300	104,800	104,300
		HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,785.5	1,779.8	1,764.3	99,700	99,700	97,500	56,700	56,500	56,000
Total Unemployment	123.0	121.3	99.4	7,500	7,800	7,100	5,100	5,100	6,000
Percent Unemployed	**6.9%**	**6.8%**	**5.6%**	**7.5%**	**7.8%**	**7.3%**	**9.0%**	**9.0%**	**10.7%**
Total Employment ++	1,662.5	1,658.5	1,664.9	92,200	91,900	90,400	51,600	51,400	50,000
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION	
Total Civilian Labor Force	82,700	82,500	81,200	116,500	116,500	115,300	166,400	165,400	168,000
Total Unemployment	7,600	7,700	6,800	7,300	7,400	6,500	27,100	28,000	31,400
Percent Unemployed	**9.2%**	**9.3%**	**8.4%**	**6.3%**	**6.4%**	**5.6%**	**16.3%**	**16.9%**	**18.7%**
Total Employment ++	75,100	74,800	74,400	109,200	109,100	108,800	139,300	137,400	136,600
		MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	50,000	49,900	49,500	55,200	54,900	53,400	45,600	45,700	44,500
Total Unemployment	3,600	3,500	2,700	5,400	5,100	3,700	2,600	2,800	2,400
Percent Unemployed	**7.2%**	**7.0%**	**5.5%**	**9.8%**	**9.3%**	**6.9%**	**5.7%**	**6.1%**	**5.4%**
Total Employment ++	46,400	46,400	46,800	49,800	49,800	49,700	43,000	42,900	42,100
		SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
Total Civilian Labor Force	620,100	617,700	612,500	47,100	46,800	47,500	59,100	58,500	56,700
Total Unemployment	40,300	40,100	42,400	3,600	3,400	3,400	4,900	4,600	4,400
Percent Unemployed	**6.5%**	**6.5%**	**6.9%**	**7.6%**	**7.3%**	**7.2%**	**8.3%**	**7.9%**	**7.8%**
Total Employment ++	579,800	577,600	570,100	43,500	43,400	44,100	54,200	53,900	52,300
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	76,000	76,000	76,700	39,100	39,000	37,500	94,600	93,600	94,700
Total Unemployment	5,200	5,200	5,400	2,500	2,400	1,900	6,700	6,000	6,400
Percent Unemployed	**6.8%**	**6.8%**	**7.0%**	**6.4%**	**6.2%**	**5.1%**	**7.1%**	**6.4%**	**6.8%**
Total Employment ++	70,800	70,800	71,300	36,600	36,600	35,600	87,900	87,600	88,300
		WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	55,700	55,700	55,400				8,734.8	8,698.8	8,618.9
Total Unemployment	4,000	4,000	4,000				648.0	641.7	594.2
Percent Unemployed	**7.2%**	**7.2%**	**7.2%**				**7.4%**	**7.4%**	**6.9%**
Total Employment ++	51,700	51,700	51,400				8,086.8	8,057.1	8,024.7

✚ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

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QC ANNUAL REPORT

CY 1991

State of Texas

Unemployment Insurance Quality Control
Annual Report for Calendar Year 1991

Total Dollars Paid in Population	$928,814,576
Sample Size	1,310

	Percentage of Dollars	95% Confidence Interval (+/-)
Proper Payments	93.3%	1.3%
Overpayments	6.7%	1.3%
	100.0%	
Underpayments	0.7%	0.3%

UI Quality Control Program

The Texas Employment Commission (TEC), in conjunction with the U. S. Department of Labor, has initiated a system for analyzing its Unemployment Insurance Quality Control (QC) Program.

The Unemployment Insurance Department of the Commission relies on information provided by employers and claimants as a basis for paying or denying benefits to unemployed persons. Obviously, the quality of decisions on these payments is directly related to the quality of information provided on such matters as job separations, refusal of work, work search efforts, etc.

Under the QC System, a random sampling of claims is computer-generated weekly and each aspect of a claim selected is scrutinized thoroughly. The audit includes: (1) verification of a claimant's reason for being unemployed; (2) verification of the employer's quarterly wages earned by the claimant; (3) weekly work search contacts made by the claimant; and (4) earnings reported by the claimant for the week of the claim.

QC investigators audited a random sample of 1,310 of the 5,661,269 total benefit payments made during Calendar Year 1991. Results of the review showed that during this period, 93.3% of the total benefits were correctly paid. Improper payments or overpayments accounted for 6.7% of total benefits paid. This improper payment figure is broken out by "error responsibility" as follows:

Claimant only error	3.7%
Employer only error	.5%
Agency only (TEC) error	1.2%
Claimant and agency error	.8%
Claimant and employer error	.2%
Employer and agency error	.3%
	6.7%

Claimant errors included failure to correctly report earnings during a week in which benefits were received.

Employer errors were caused by their failure to report the correct amount of quarterly wages for former employees who later became claimants and received unemployment benefits.

Agency errors were due to data entry or procedural errors made by employees of TEC.

In addition to the Quality Control Unit, TEC also maintains a Benefit Payment Control (BPC) Unit to investigate and reclaim benefits paid to claimants under both fraudulent and unintentional error situations. The BPC Unit recovered $10,391,713 from claimants in 1991. This money was returned to the U. I. Trust Fund.

In July 1992, the U. S. Department of Labor will publish a digest of QC data for all states. The format used for the release of the Texas QC data is shown above.

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	APR. '92*	MAR. '92**	APR. '91**	Chg. from MAR. '92	Chg. from APR. '91
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,235,300**	**7,209,800**	**7,149,700**	**25,500**	**85,600**
MANUFACTURING	**977,700**	**975,100**	**983,800**	**2,600**	**-6,100**
Durable Goods	**550,700**	**549,000**	**565,000**	**1,700**	**-14,300**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,400	30,300	29,600	100	800
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,500	6,500	6,600	0	-100
Furniture & Fixtures	16,500	16,500	15,900	0	600
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	34,200	34,200	34,700	0	-500
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod	14,600	14,600	15,000	0	-400
Primary Metal Industries	30,300	30,200	30,700	100	-400
Fabricated Metal Industries	80,500	80,100	83,100	400	-2,600
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod	38,500	38,700	39,600	-200	-1,100
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	115,100	114,700	118,800	400	-3,700
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	25,700	25,800	28,800	-100	-3,100
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	100,800	100,700	104,800	100	-4,000
Transportation Equipment	85,100	84,400	90,300	700	-5,200
Aircraft & Parts	59,500	59,400	62,500	100	-3,000
Instruments & Related Prod.	40,600	40,900	40,900	-300	-300
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	17,200	17,000	16,200	200	1,000
Nondurable Goods	**427,000**	**426,100**	**418,800**	**900**	**8,200**
Food & Kindred Products	94,700	95,100	95,600	-400	-900
Meat Products	30,500	30,500	30,400	0	100
Dairy Products	4,300	4,300	4,300	0	0
Bakery Products	10,100	10,100	10,200	0	-100
Malt Beverages	3,200	3,100	3,000	100	200
Textile Mill Products	4,000	4,100	3,900	-100	100
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	59,000	58,600	55,800	400	3,200
Paper & Allied Products	25,300	25,300	24,900	0	400
Printing & Publishing	76,300	76,300	75,100	0	1,200
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	36,700	36,500	35,300	200	1,400
Chemicals & Allied Products	87,200	86,900	84,800	300	2,400
Petroleum & Coal Products	30,300	30,300	29,500	0	800
Petroleum Refining	27,500	27,500	26,600	0	900
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	42,300	41,900	41,500	400	800
Leather & Leather Products	7,800	7,500	7,600	300	200
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,257,600**	**6,234,700**	**6,165,900**	**22,900**	**91,700**
Mining	**176,300**	**176,500**	**186,900**	**-200**	**-10,600**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,300	9,300	9,600	0	-300
Oil & Gas Extraction	167,000	167,200	177,300	-200	-10,300
Construction	**347,200**	**343,700**	**346,000**	**3,500**	**1,200**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**433,100**	**433,000**	**430,300**	**100**	**2,800**
Railroad Transportation	16,700	16,700	17,300	0	-600
Other Transportation	249,000	248,800	243,000	200	6,000
Transportation by Air	80,100	79,900	77,000	200	3,100
Communications	88,200	87,900	90,000	300	-1,800
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	79,200	79,600	80,000	-400	-800
Electric Services	39,600	40,100	40,300	-500	-700
Gas Production & Distribution	27,400	27,400	28,200	0	-800
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,735,600**	**1,724,300**	**1,720,600**	**11,300**	**15,000**
Wholesale Trade	433,500	433,700	435,000	-200	-1,500
Retail Trade	1,302,100	1,290,600	1,285,600	11,500	16,500
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	41,800	40,900	42,600	900	-800
General Merchandise Stores	168,900	168,000	169,600	900	-700
Food Stores	240,400	239,100	234,800	1,300	5,600
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	133,300	133,000	131,900	300	1,400
Apparel & Accessory Stores	76,200	74,900	78,800	1,300	-2,600
Eating & Drinking Places	456,600	448,700	442,100	7,900	14,500
Other Retail Trade	184,900	186,000	185,800	-1,100	-900
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**429,300**	**428,700**	**427,100**	**600**	**2,200**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	119,100	119,200	121,600	-100	-2,500
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	144,900	144,600	141,900	300	3,000
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	165,300	164,900	163,600	400	1,700
Services	**1,817,600**	**1,813,100**	**1,760,900**	**4,500**	**56,700**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	82,300	82,100	83,200	200	-900
Personal Services	83,100	83,500	81,400	-400	1,700
Business & Repair Services	450,500	448,900	447,900	1,600	2,600
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	89,500	88,900	85,200	600	4,300
Health Services	533,500	531,500	495,900	2,000	37,600
Educational Services	91,900	90,900	89,600	1,000	2,300
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	156,900	158,500	154,500	-1,600	2,400
Other Services & Miscellaneous	329,900	328,800	323,200	1,100	6,700
Total Government	**1,318,500**	**1,315,400**	**1,294,100**	**3,100**	**24,400**
Federal Government	200,400	200,100	197,400	300	3,000
State Government	290,300	289,100	276,300	1,200	14,000
Local Government	827,800	826,200	820,400	1,600	7,400

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
	Apr.'92*	Mar. '92**	Apr.'91**	Apr.'92*	Mar. '92**	Apr.'91**	Apr.'92*	Mar. '92**	Apr.'91**	Apr.'92*	Mar. '92**	Apr.'91**
TOTAL	49,400	49,400	48,700	79,800	79,500	79,200	398,500	397,100	391,500	154,300	153,300	148,500
Manufacturing	4,400	4,400	4,300	9,000	8,900	8,500	51,500	51,300	50,600	26,100	25,900	25,500
Mining	1,400	1,400	1,400	800	800	900	700	700	700	2,000	2,000	2,000
Construction	1,700	1,600	1,400	2,600	2,600	3,100	13,000	12,800	12,400	17,400	16,900	15,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,600	2,600	2,500	5,600	5,600	5,400	12,900	13,000	12,400	10,000	10,000	9,500
Trade	13,000	13,000	12,500	22,700	22,700	22,600	79,000	78,800	77,800	33,300	33,200	32,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	2,000	2,000	4,200	4,100	4,100	23,000	23,100	23,300	5,100	5,100	5,000
Services & Misc.	15,100	15,200	15,300	18,800	18,700	18,600	102,700	102,300	100,100	38,000	37,800	36,400
Government	9,200	9,200	9,300	16,100	16,100	16,000	115,700	115,100	114,200	22,400	22,400	22,100

	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	72,600	72,000	71,500	80,600	80,400	76,700	58,500	58,300	57,400	135,000	134,800	135,300
Manufacturing	17,400	17,400	16,900	11,800	11,700	11,000	4,000	4,000	3,500	12,900	13,000	12,800
Mining	2,000	1,900	2,300	—	—	—	600	600	600	3,500	3,500	3,900
Construction	12,000	11,600	12,000	2,200	2,300	2,100	1,700	1,600	1,800	11,100	11,100	11,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,700	3,700	3,600	3,500	1,400	1,400	1,400	6,600	6,800	7,000
Trade	12,800	12,700	12,500	22,200	22,200	21,000	12,100	12,300	11,800	31,800	31,400	31,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,800	3,800	3,700	1,800	1,800	1,800	5,800	5,800	6,200
Services & Misc.	11,100	11,100	10,800	18,900	18,900	17,800	11,200	10,900	11,200	33,300	33,200	32,200
Government	12,600	12,600	12,400	18,000	17,900	17,600	25,700	25,700	25,300	30,000	30,000	30,100

	DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	1,374.0	1,372.7	1,374.7	213,000	212,300	208,600	585,800	582,800	586,300	78,800	78,500	78,300
Manufacturing	209.3	209.5	215.0	40,800	40,500	40,000	101,700	100,900	109,600	8,700	8,700	8,600
Mining	17.8	17.7	18.3	—	—	—	4,300	4,200	4,500	700	700	800
Construction	43.1	42.8	46.4	8,100	7,900	7,800	20,300	19,600	21,800	4,200	4,200	4,900
Trans., Comm. & Util.	85.1	85.1	83.1	10,800	10,700	10,600	58,900	58,900	57,000	5,400	5,400	5,400
Trade	354.5	354.3	350.9	53,200	53,200	52,100	146,000	145,300	147,700	16,600	16,400	16,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	125.8	126.1	127.5	8,200	8,300	8,100	27,600	27,900	28,700	5,500	5,400	5,500
Services & Misc.	369.0	368.5	367.3	45,200	45,000	44,300	146,700	145,900	140,900	14,500	14,500	14,200
Government	169.4	168.7	166.2	46,700	46,700	45,700	80,300	80,100	76,100	23,200	23,200	22,600

	HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	1,632.5	1,628.9	1,629.9	76,000	75,400	74,200	48,800	48,700	47,300	71,200	70,800	70,400
Manufacturing	179.9	179.9	181.5	8,100	8,100	8,500	1,700	1,600	1,800	16,200	16,100	16,100
Mining	67.6	67.5	70.2	—	—	—	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,400	3,400	3,600
Construction	113.1	111.7	114.4	2,400	2,300	2,400	1,600	1,600	1,400	3,700	3,700	3,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	110.2	110.9	115.0	2,700	2,600	2,500	7,400	7,400	7,100	3,500	3,500	3,500
Trade	379.0	376.9	377.3	16,700	16,500	16,200	15,100	15,000	14,700	17,600	17,500	17,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	98.5	98.4	100.1	3,200	3,200	3,100	1,900	1,900	2,000	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	462.8	462.1	454.3	18,900	18,800	18,200	8,400	8,400	7,900	14,800	14,600	14,400
Government	221.4	221.5	217.1	24,000	23,900	23,300	10,800	10,900	10,500	9,400	9,400	9,300

	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	97,900	98,100	97,900	106,200	105,900	103,400	46,300	46,100	45,700	44,700	45,200	45,100
Manufacturing	7,000	6,900	7,000	13,000	12,800	12,600	2,300	2,300	2,200	4,300	4,400	4,200
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	900	9,400	9,400	9,400	5,200	5,200	5,400
Construction	3,800	4,000	3,300	4,400	4,400	4,200	1,400	1,400	1,400	2,700	2,700	2,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,300	5,400	5,500	3,100	3,100	2,900	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,200	2,300	2,200
Trade	26,900	27,000	27,800	32,600	32,500	31,700	10,900	10,900	10,700	12,100	12,300	12,500
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	4,600	4,600	4,900	3,700	3,700	3,700	2,200	2,200	2,300	1,300	1,300	1,400
Services & Misc.	26,300	26,200	25,500	19,100	19,100	18,800	10,200	10,000	9,800	8,800	8 900	8,800
Government	23,800	23,800	23,700	29,500	29,500	28,600	7,600	7,600	7,600	8,100	8,100	8,200

	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	38,500	38,100	37,300	535,300	532,600	526,600	37,000	36,800	37,400	47,000	47,000	46,000
Manufacturing	5,000	5,000	5,000	46,000	46,000	45,500	9,900	9,800	10,600	6,100	6,200	6,500
Mining	500	500	600	1,900	1,800	2,000	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,200	1,000	1,100	22,500	22,100	22,000	1,400	1,400	1,500	1,400	1,400	1,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,700	23,100	22,900	22,400	1,700	1,700	1,600	2,100	2,100	2,300
Trade	9,300	9,300	9,100	129,300	128,100	128,500	7,600	7,700	7,700	11,300	11,200	11,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,500	38,200	38,100	38,900	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,700	1,600	1,700
Services & Misc.	10,300	10,300	9,500	149,600	149,200	146,300	9,700	9,700	9,300	12,000	12,100	11,100
Government	7,800	7,600	7,800	124,700	124,400	121,000	4,700	4,500	4,700	12,300	12,300	12,000

	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	64,000	63,600	63,800	30,600	30,800	30,100	83,300	82,600	83,200	50,200	50,200	49,800
Manufacturing	11,000	10,900	10,700	2,800	2,800	3,000	14,900	15,100	15,700	8,000	8,000	8,100
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,800	1,600	1,700	1,700	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	2,300	2,300	2,100	1,900	2,000	2,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	1,400	1,500	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,900	2,900	2,900	1,500	1,500	1,500	3,400	3,400	3,500	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	16,400	16,200	15,900	8,500	8,500	8,000	19,400	18,900	19,300	11,700	11,600	11,300
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,200	3,200	3,300	1,600	1,600	1,700	5,200	5,200	5,200	2,200	2,200	2,200
Services & Misc.	16,400	16,400	16,400	7,300	7,200	6,800	23,700	23,300	22,800	12,900	12,900	12,500
Government	10,100	10,000	10,700	5,400	5,500	5,400	13,700	13,700	13,700	9,900	9,900	10,200

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✣

FOR TEXAS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr.'92*	Mar.'92	Apr.'91	Apr.'92*	Mar.'92	Apr.'91	Apr.'92*	Mar.'92	Apr.'91
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 465.47	$ 464.88	$ 449.70	42.2	42.3	41.6	$ 11.03	$10.99	$10.81
Durable Goods	446.46	449.85	438.46	42.0	42.2	41.6	10.63	10.66	10.54
Lumber & Wood Products	320.88	312.50	315.78	42.5	41.5	42.5	7.55	7.53	7.43
Furniture & Fixtures	308.25	314.47	292.92	40.4	41.0	38.9	7.63	7.67	7.53
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	429.68	430.76	411.09	43.8	44.0	42.6	9.81	9.79	9.65
Primary Metal Industries	504.14	506.91	483.42	43.2	43.4	42.0	11.67	11.68	11.51
Fabricated Metal Products	422.42	431.38	416.63	41.7	42.5	42.6	10.13	10.15	9.78
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	440.91	449.10	444.32	42.6	43.1	42.6	10.35	10.42	10.43
Oil Field Machinery	539.62	546.08	556.95	46.2	46.2	47.4	11.68	11.82	11.75
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	443.20	442.01	437.02	40.0	39.5	39.3	11.08	11.19	11.12
Transportation Equipment	613.35	620.68	593.81	42.3	42.6	41.7	14.50	14.57	14.24
Instruments & Related Prod.	440.15	437.84	416.56	41.8	42.1	41.0	10.53	10.40	10.16
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	329.99	332.77	296.81	41.3	41.7	38.9	7.99	7.98	7.63
Nondurable Goods	487.60	480.95	463.84	42.4	42.3	41.6	11.50	11.37	11.15
Food & Kindred Products	394.90	386.40	385.15	42.6	42.0	42.7	9.27	9.20	9.02
Meat Products	291.48	284.71	288.74	41.7	40.1	42.4	6.99	7.10	6.81
Malt Beverages	961.36	896.40	941.99	46.6	45.0	49.5	20.63	19.92	19.03
Textile Mill Products	380.84	366.27	368.96	44.7	43.5	44.4	8.52	8.42	8.31
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	241.55	244.05	221.80	38.1	38.8	36.6	6.34	6.29	6.06
Paper & Allied Products	536.80	523.53	505.91	44.4	43.7	43.5	12.09	11.98	11.63
Printing & Publishing	437.98	443.41	429.44	39.6	40.2	39.8	11.06	11.03	10.79
Chemicals & Allied Products	785.23	755.08	760.35	45.6	44.6	44.7	17.22	16.93	17.01
Petroleum & Coal Products	873.60	880.78	792.06	46.1	46.9	44.8	18.95	18.78	17.68
Petroleum Refining	905.40	912.13	820.74	46.1	46.8	44.8	19.64	19.49	18.32
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	424.60	422.04	387.20	44.0	44.1	41.5	9.65	9.57	9.33
Leather & Leather Products	267.13	278.70	268.71	39.4	40.1	39.4	6.78	6.95	6.82
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	667.49	671.67	636.59	43.4	43.9	44.3	15.38	15.30	14.37
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	663.94	664.32	628.54	47.8	48.0	48.8	13.89	13.84	12.88
Oil & Gas Extraction	667.62	671.88	636.68	43.1	43.6	44.0	15.49	15.41	14.47
Communications	561.70	561.54	543.36	41.7	42.0	40.1	13.47	13.37	13.55
Elec., Gas & San. Services	567.59	562.93	571.90	41.4	41.0	42.3	13.71	13.73	13.52
Wholesale & Retail Trade	258.33	259.78	249.36	32.7	32.8	32.3	7.90	7.92	7.72
Wholesale Trade	448.48	453.38	431.24	39.9	40.3	39.6	11.24	11.25	10.89
Retail Trade	200.69	200.39	193.24	30.5	30.5	30.1	6.58	6.57	6.42
General Merchandise Stores	202.97	199.17	191.91	30.8	30.5	29.8	6.59	6.53	6.44
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	324.32	347.99	323.01	36.4	39.1	37.0	8.91	8.90	8.73

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 437.78	$ 447.26	$ 430.73	41.3	41.8	41.1	$ 10.60	$ 10.70	$ 10.48
Durable Goods	447.86	457.47	445.94	40.9	41.4	41.1	10.95	11.05	10.85
Nondurable Goods	422.52	431.21	404.67	42.0	42.4	41.0	10.06	10.17	9.87
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	482.16	486.98	473.39	41.0	41.2	41.2	11.76	11.82	11.49
Durable Goods	497.76	505.52	492.03	40.7	40.9	40.9	12.23	12.36	12.03
Nondurable Goods	452.35	453.78	434.72	41.5	41.9	41.8	10.90	10.83	10.40
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	565.02	562.80	553.22	43.8	43.9	44.4	12.90	12.82	12.46
Durable Goods	482.90	482.68	476.28	44.1	44.0	44.1	10.95	10.97	10.80
Nondurable Goods	671.64	665.99	662.14	43.5	43.7	44.8	15.44	15.24	14.78
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	349.44	345.66	329.26	42.0	42.0	40.4	8.32	8.23	8.15
Durable Goods	360.40	360.38	334.84	42.6	42.8	40.1	8.46	8.42	8.35
Nondurable Goods	338.25	332.47	324.79	41.3	41.3	40.7	8.19	8.05	7.98

✣Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. •Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Automotive Dealers and Service Stations was up by 300. Other Retail Trade decreased by 1,100 over the month.

Services showed an increase of 4,500 from March. Health Services increased by 2,000, while Business and Repair Services went up by 1,600. Educational Services went up by 1,000, and Other Services and Miscellaneous increased by 1,100 over the month. Engineering and Management Services decreased by 1,600, while Personal Services declined by 400 from March.

Construction increased by 3,500 from March to April '92, due to more favorable weather conditions.

Total Government gained 3,100 over the month, with the largest gain being in Local Government, up by 1,600 from March. This increase was seasonal in nature. State Government gained 1,200 jobs, while Federal Government was up by 300 over the month.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate increased by 600 from March. The only decline in F.I.R.E. was in Depository Institutions, Including Banks, down by 100 from March.

Transportation and Public Utilities increased by 100 over the month. The only decline in Transportation appeared in Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services, down by 400 from March.

The only decline in Nonmanufacturing occurred in **Mining**, which lost 200 jobs over the month.

Manufacturing increased by 2,600 from March '92. At 977,700 this was down by 6,100 from one year ago. **Durable Goods** gained 1,700 jobs with its largest increase appearing in Transportation Equipment, up by 700 over the month.

Nondurable Goods rose by 900. Its largest increases were seen in Apparel and Other Finished Textile Products and in Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastics Products, both up by 400 over the month.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	APR.'92	APR.'91
Total Population	17,620,800*	17,258,800*
% UI Covered Unemployment	2.5	2.1
UI Covered Employers	328,659	320,186
Total Claims Actions	871,114	693,672
Total Initial Claims Actions	111,714	65,862
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	759,400	627,810
Total Placements	30,993	32,678
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$170.13	$163.24
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	101,519,739	80,803,599

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Average Weekly Earnings Rise

For the estimated 642,800 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings increased by four cents from March to April 1992. Average Weekly Hours were down by one-tenth of an hour, as Average Weekly Earnings increased by fifty-nine cents over the month. This was $15.77 above the April '91 level of $449.70 per week.

In mid-April a worker, on average, was earning $11.03 per hour for a 42.2-hour work week and making $465.47 in average weekly earnings.

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JOB GROWTH INCREASES

Unemployment Rate Remains Same

The Actual (not seasonally adjusted) unemployment rate for Texas remained the same, at 7.4 percent, for the third month in a row in 1992. The current rate was above the May 1991 rate of 6.3 percent. The number of jobless Texans declined over the month by only 3,200, totaling 644,800 in mid-May. Total employment also declined, falling to an estimated 8,082,000.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate rose from 7.4 percent in April to 7.5 percent in May. A year ago this rate was 6.5 percent. The U. S. seasonally adjusted rate rose from 7.2 percent in April to 7.5 percent in May. In May '91 the rate was 6.8 percent. The U. S. actual rate rose from 7.1 percent to 7.2 percent over the month. One year ago that rate was 6.6 percent.

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs Increase

The number of Nonfarm Salaried Jobs in Texas rose by 24,700 from April to May 1992. **Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment** totaled 7,254,400 in May, which was up by 80,600 from one year ago. Total **Nonmanufacturing** rose by 22,300. At 6,274,800, this was an increase of 85,100 from May '91.

The largest Nonmanufacturing gain appeared in **Wholesale and Retail Trade** which rose by 9,700 over the month. Retail Trade increased by 7,600 from April. The largest Retail gain, which was seasonal in nature, was reported in Eating and Drinking Places, up by 3,400. Food Stores rose by 2,600, while Automotive Dealers and Service Stations increased by 1,000 over the month. General Merchandise stores gained 900 jobs from April '92. The only Retail loss appeared in Apparel and Accessory Stores, which was down by 300 jobs. Both Building Materials and Garden Supplies and Other Retail Trade remained the same over the month. Wholesale Trade gained 2,100 jobs from April '92.

Services gained 6,000 jobs from last

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	May'92	Apr. '92	May'91
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	126,704.0	125,878.0	124,857.0
Unemployment	9,169.0	8,945.0	8,233.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.2%**	**7.1%**	**6.6%**
Total Employment	117,535.0	116,933.0	116,624.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	127,160.0	126,830.0	125,259.0
Unemployment	9,504.0	9,155.0	8,529.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.5%**	**7.2%**	**6.8%**
Total Employment	117,656.0	117,675.0	116,730.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,726.8	8,734.8	8,539.7
Unemployment	644.8	648.0	540.2
Percent Unemployed	**7.4%**	**7.4%**	**6.3%**
Total Employment	8,082.0	8,086.8	7,999.5
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,741.0	8,744.0	8,553.0
Unemployment	659.0	643.0	554.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.5%**	**7.4%**	**6.5%**
Total Employment	8,082.0	8,101.0	7,999.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	May'92*	Apr.'92**	May'91**	May'92*	Apr.'92**	May'91**	May'92*	Apr.'92**	May'91**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	51,700	51,700	50,300	98,600	98,300	96,800	460,600	462,000	448,200
Total Unemployment	3,300	3,100	3,000	5,500	5,600	4,700	23,400	22,600	19,600
Percent Unemployed	6.4%	6.0%	6.0%	5.6%	5.7%	4.9%	5.1%	4.9%	4.4%
Total Employment ++	48,400	48,600	47,300	93,100	92,700	92,100	437,200	439,400	428,600
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	179,400	180,100	170,300	96,400	96,700	93,400	114,300	113,900	108,100
Total Unemployment	15,400	15,000	11,900	7,100	7,200	4,800	14,000	14,100	13,200
Percent Unemployed	8.6%	8.3%	7.0%	7.4%	7.4%	5.1%	12.2%	12.4%	12.2%
Total Employment ++	164,000	165,100	158,400	89,300	89,500	88,600	100,300	99,800	94,900
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	66,500	66,500	63,900	169,100	169,000	165,500	1,458.3	1,461.2	1,438.1
Total Unemployment	2,800	2,300	2,200	16,600	16,600	12,500	101.8	103.0	83.0
Percent Unemployed	4.2%	3.5%	3.4%	9.8%	9.8%	7.6%	7.0%	7.0%	5.8%
Total Employment ++	63,700	64,200	61,700	152,500	152,400	153,000	1,356.5	1,358.2	1,355.1
		EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
Total Civilian Labor Force	257,100	256,000	250,500	740,900	747,100	739,300	115,600	115,000	112,300
Total Unemployment	27,200	27,400	26,400	50,300	56,400	47,400	9,900	9,900	7,600
Percent Unemployed	10.6%	10.7%	10.5%	6.8%	7.5%	6.4%	8.6%	8.6%	6.8%
Total Employment ++	229,900	228,600	224,100	690,600	690,700	691,900	105,700	105,100	104,700
		HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,787.6	1,789.4	1,752.5	100,200	99,900	96,400	57,100	56,900	54,700
Total Unemployment	124.7	123.3	96.0	7,500	7,500	6,300	5,200	5,100	4,900
Percent Unemployed	7.0%	6.9%	5.5%	7.5%	7.5%	6.5%	9.1%	9.0%	9.0%
Total Employment ++	1,662.9	1,666.1	1,656.5	92,700	92,400	90,100	51,900	51,800	49,800
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION	
Total Civilian Labor Force	82,700	82,800	79,900	116,100	116,600	114,800	165,400	165,900	161,900
Total Unemployment	7,600	7,600	6,300	7,200	7,300	6,100	25,700	27,000	24,500
Percent Unemployed	9.2%	9.2%	7.9%	6.2%	6.3%	5.3%	15.5%	16.3%	15.1%
Total Employment ++	75,100	75,200	73,600	108,900	109,300	108,700	139,700	138,900	137,400
		MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	50,100	50,200	48,900	54,700	55,000	53,200	45,900	45,800	43,600
Total Unemployment	3,700	3,600	2,500	5,500	5,500	3,300	2,800	2,600	2,100
Percent Unemployed	7.4%	7.2%	5.1%	10.1%	10.0%	6.2%	6.1%	5.7%	4.8%
Total Employment ++	46,400	46,600	46,400	49,200	49,500	49,900	43,100	43,200	41,500
		SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
Total Civilian Labor Force	620,700	619,200	608,200	46,600	47,100	47,200	58,700	58,900	57,000
Total Unemployment	42,500	40,100	38,900	3,400	3,600	3,100	4,800	4,900	4,500
Percent Unemployed	6.8%	6.5%	6.4%	7.3%	7.6%	6.6%	8.2%	8.3%	7.9%
Total Employment ++	578,200	579,100	569,300	43,200	43,500	44,100	53,900	54,000	52,500
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	76,200	76,100	75,200	39,100	39,200	37,300	93,300	94,600	92,700
Total Unemployment	5,300	5,200	4,700	2,500	2,500	1,800	6,900	6,700	5,900
Percent Unemployed	7.0%	6.8%	6.3%	6.4%	6.4%	4.8%	7.4%	7.1%	6.4%
Total Employment ++	70,900	70,900	70,500	36,600	36,700	35,500	86,400	87,900	86,800
		WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	55,400	55,600	54,800				8,726.8	8,734.8	8,539.7
Total Unemployment	4,000	4,000	3,700				644.8	648.0	540.2
Percent Unemployed	7.2%	7.2%	6.8%				7.4%	7.4%	6.3%
Total Employment ++	51,400	51,600	51,100				8,082.0	8,086.8	7,999.5

✚ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

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month, with the largest increase being in Health Services, up by 3,900. Offices of Medical Doctors and Other Health Practitioners showed a substantial rise of 1,700, while Nursing and Personal Care Facilities generated 500 positions over the month. Medical and Dental Labs and Home Health Care Services rose by 1,600, which was brought about by the continuing need for more skilled nursing and medical care in homes under physician supervision. Other Services and Miscellaneous rose by 2,900, while Amusement, Including Motion Pictures showed a gain of 1,300. These were seasonal gains due to increased outdoor sports and amusement activities across the State. Engineering and Management Services increased by 900, while Business and Repair Services went up by 500 over the month. A loss of 2,300 was reported in Educational Services with the school term drawing to an end and several colleges and universities closing early. Personal Services was down by 1,200, mostly due to the reduced number of tax returns being completed.

The **Construction** industry exhibited significant growth in May, expanding by 3,100 jobs. A majority of the new positions were added by General Building Contractors and in Heavy Construction (Except Building) reflecting increased spending on new residences and on highway, street and bridge projects.

Total **Government** rose by 1,700 from April '92. Local Government increased by 1,800 due to the increased hiring of seasonal employees for summer activities. State Government remained the same over the month, while Federal Government lost 100 jobs.

Transportation and Public Utilities gained 1,100 jobs from April '92. Other Transportation showed a gain of 900 fostered by the seasonal increase in airline travel. Communications increased by 200 over the month, while Railroad Transportation and Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services remained the same.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate gained 800 jobs from one month ago. This increase was found mainly in Other Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, up by 700 over the month. Depository Institutions, Including Banks rose by 300, while Insurance Carriers, Agents and Brokers fell by 200 from one month ago.

Mining produced the only major sector decline in Nonmanufacturing, falling by 100 jobs over the month. This decrease was found in Oil and Gas Extraction.

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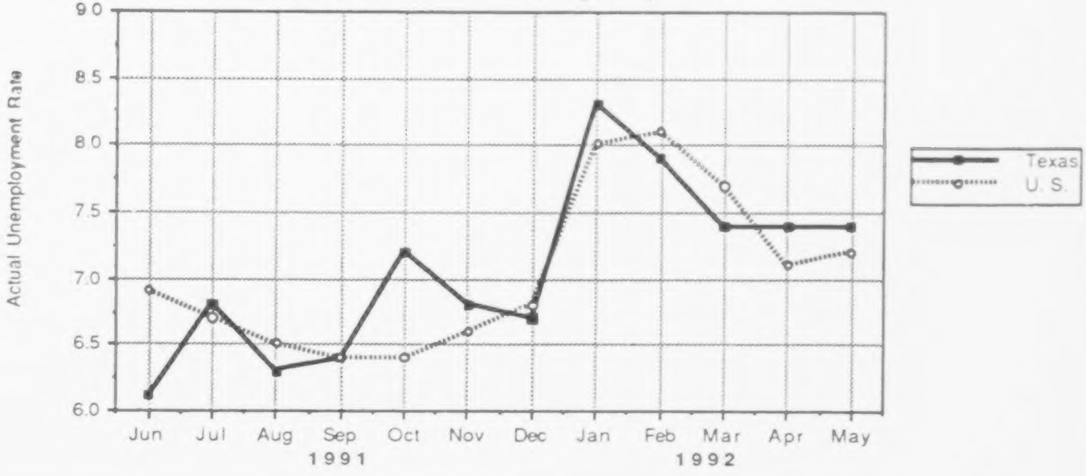
Actual (Not Seasonally Adjusted) Unemployment Rate for Texas and the U. S.
12-Month Period Ending May 1992



TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	MAY '92*	APR. '92**	MAY '91**	Chg. from APR. '92	Chg. from MAY '91
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,254,400**	**7,229,700**	**7,173,800**	**24,700**	**80,600**
MANUFACTURING	**979,600**	**977,200**	**984,100**	**2,400**	**-4,500**
Durable Goods	**550,500**	**550,100**	**563,600**	**400**	**-13,100**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,300	30,400	30,300	-100	0
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,400	6,500	6,700	-100	-300
Furniture & Fixtures	16,400	16,400	16,100	0	300
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	34,200	34,300	34,400	-100	-200
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,700	14,600	15,000	100	-300
Primary Metal Industries	30,400	30,400	30,900	0	-500
Fabricated Metal Industries	80,400	80,500	83,000	-100	-2,600
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	38,500	38,500	39,700	0	-1,200
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	114,800	114,800	118,500	0	-3,700
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	25,100	25,500	28,600	-400	-3,500
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	101,400	100,500	104,700	900	-3,300
Transportation Equipment	84,800	85,100	88,900	-300	-4,100
Aircraft & Parts	59,100	59,500	61,400	-400	-2,300
Instruments & Related Prod.	40,400	40,500	40,500	-100	-100
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	17,400	17,200	16,300	200	1,100
Nondurable Goods	**429,100**	**427,100**	**420,500**	**2,000**	**8,600**
Food & Kindred Products	95,200	94,900	95,600	300	-400
Meat Products	30,800	30,600	30,400	200	400
Dairy Products	4,300	4,300	4,300	0	0
Bakery Products	10,200	10,100	10,100	100	100
Malt Beverages	3,200	3,200	3,000	0	200
Textile Mill Products	4,000	4,000	3,900	0	100
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	59,400	58,900	56,700	500	2,700
Paper & Allied Products	25,500	25,300	25,100	200	400
Printing & Publishing	76,600	76,400	75,000	200	1,600
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	37,000	36,800	35,200	200	1,800
Chemicals & Allied Products	87,100	87,000	85,300	100	1,800
Petroleum & Coal Products	30,400	30,300	29,700	100	700
Petroleum Refining	27,500	27,400	26,800	100	700
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	42,900	42,400	41,600	500	1,300
Leather & Leather Products	7,900	7,800	7,500	100	400
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,274,800**	**6,252,500**	**6,189,700**	**22,300**	**85,100**
Mining	**175,100**	**175,200**	**186,900**	**-100**	**-11,800**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,300	9,300	9,500	0	-200
Oil & Gas Extraction	165,800	165,900	177,400	-100	-11,600
Construction	**349,500**	**346,400**	**346,700**	**3,100**	**2,800**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**434,900**	**433,800**	**431,700**	**1,100**	**3,200**
Railroad Transportation	16,900	16,900	17,400	0	-500
Other Transportation	250,400	249,500	244,800	900	5,600
Transportation by Air	81,400	80,500	77,700	900	3,700
Communications	88,600	88,400	89,400	200	-800
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	79,000	79,000	80,100	0	-1,100
Electric Services	39,400	39,500	40,400	-100	-1,000
Gas Production & Distribution	27,400	27,400	28,100	0	-700
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,742,800**	**1,733,100**	**1,733,700**	**9,700**	**9,100**
Wholesale Trade	435,500	433,400	436,000	2,100	-500
Retail Trade	1,307,300	1,299,700	1,297,700	7,600	9,600
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	42,000	42,000	42,600	0	-600
General Merchandise Stores	169,600	168,700	171,500	900	-1,900
Food Stores	242,600	240,000	238,100	2,600	4,500
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	134,500	133,500	132,800	1,000	1,700
Apparel & Accessory Stores	75,900	76,200	78,800	-300	-2,900
Eating & Drinking Places	458,100	454,700	447,700	3,400	10,400
Other Retail Trade	184,600	184,600	186,200	0	-1,600
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**430,000**	**429,200**	**426,900**	**800**	**3,100**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	119,300	119,000	120,800	300	-1,500
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	144,400	144,600	141,900	-200	2,500
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	166,300	165,600	164,200	700	2,100
Services	**1,823,200**	**1,817,200**	**1,766,700**	**6,000**	**56,500**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	82,100	82,100	83,600	0	-1,500
Personal Services	81,500	82,700	79,000	-1,200	2,500
Business & Repair Services	450,900	450,400	450,900	500	0
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	90,400	89,100	90,100	1,300	300
Health Services	538,000	534,100	498,100	3,900	39,900
Educational Services	89,200	91,500	85,400	-2,300	3,800
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	158,200	157,300	154,200	900	4,000
Other Services & Miscellaneous	332,900	330,000	325,400	2,900	7,500
Total Government	**1,319,300**	**1,317,600**	**1,297,100**	**1,700**	**22,200**
Federal Government	200,100	200,200	198,200	-100	1,900
State Government	289,900	289,900	275,500	0	14,400
Local Government	829,300	827,500	823,400	1,800	5,900

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	May'92*	Apr. '92**	May'91**	May'92*	Apr. '92**	May'91**	May'92*	Apr. '92**	May'91**	May'92*	Apr. '92**	May'91**
Industry	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
TOTAL	**49,600**	**49,500**	**48,700**	**80,500**	**79,800**	**79,600**	**398,600**	**398,800**	**391,700**	**153,700**	**154,100**	**149,500**
Manufacturing	4,400	4,400	4,300	8,900	8,900	8,500	51,600	51,500	50,700	25,900	26,000	25,300
Mining	1,400	1,400	1,400	800	800	900	700	700	700	2,000	2,000	2,000
Construction	1,700	1,700	1,500	2,700	2,600	3,000	13,300	13,100	12,600	17,100	17,400	15,700
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,600	2,600	5,700	5,600	5,400	13,000	13,000	12,500	10,000	10,000	9,600
Trade	13,000	12,900	12,700	23,100	22,800	23,000	79,100	79,100	78,400	33,300	33,300	33,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	2,000	4,200	4,200	4,200	23,200	23,100	23,300	5,100	5,100	5,000
Services & Misc.	15,200	15,200	14,900	19,000	18,800	18,800	102,600	102,600	100,500	37,900	38,000	36,600
Government	9,300	9,400	9,300	16,100	16,100	15,800	115,100	115,700	113,000	22,400	22,300	22,300
	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	**72,600**	**72,700**	**72,900**	**80,800**	**80,600**	**77,000**	**58,600**	**58,300**	**57,200**	**135,400**	**134,800**	**136,000**
Manufacturing	17,400	17,400	17,200	11,900	11,800	11,100	4,300	4,000	3,600	12,900	13,000	12,900
Mining	2,000	2,000	2,200	—	—	—	600	600	600	3,600	3,500	3,900
Construction	12,100	12,000	12,500	2,300	2,300	2,100	1,700	1,700	1,800	11,200	11,100	11,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,800	3,000	3,800	3,800	3,600	1,400	1,400	1,400	6,800	6,600	7,100
Trade	12,900	12,800	12,800	22,100	22,100	21,100	12,300	12,200	11,900	31,900	31,700	31,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,800	1,900	1,900	3,700	3,800	3,700	1,800	1,700	1,800	5,900	5,800	6,200
Services & Misc.	11,200	11,200	10,800	18,900	18,800	17,800	11,000	11,100	11,200	33,200	33,200	32,400
Government	12,500	12,600	12,500	18,100	18,000	17,600	25,500	25,600	24,900	29,900	29,900	30,300
	DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	**1,380.4**	**1,374.9**	**1,377.8**	**214,700**	**212,400**	**209,400**	**588,700**	**586,000**	**588,400**	**79,400**	**78,800**	**78,800**
Manufacturing	209.6	209.1	214.3	41,700	40,500	40,400	101,300	101,400	108,100	8,700	8,700	8,800
Mining	18.0	17.9	18.4	—	—	—	4,300	4,300	4,500	700	700	800
Construction	43.9	43.5	46.5	8,000	7,900	7,700	20,500	20,300	21,900	4,200	4,300	4,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	85.5	85.2	83.2	11,000	10,800	10,600	59,100	58,800	57,100	5,300	5,300	5,500
Trade	357.5	354.7	351.7	53,300	53,100	52,200	146,900	146,200	148,800	16,900	16,600	16,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	125.3	125.7	127.5	8,100	8,200	8,200	27,900	27,600	28,800	5,500	5,500	5,500
Services & Misc.	371.0	369.3	369.7	45,600	45,200	44,600	148,200	147,100	142,700	14,700	14,500	14,500
Government	169.6	169.5	166.5	47,000	46,700	45,700	80,500	80,300	76,500	23,400	23,200	22,500
	HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	**1,638.1**	**1,633.4**	**1,640.6**	**76,500**	**76,000**	**74,800**	**49,100**	**49,000**	**47,300**	**71,100**	**71,200**	**70,300**
Manufacturing	179.7	180.1	182.7	8,200	8,100	8,400	1,700	1,700	1,800	16,100	16,100	16,100
Mining	67.1	67.4	70.3	—	—	—	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,400	3,400	3,500
Construction	113.8	113.2	114.8	2,500	2,400	2,500	1,600	1,600	1,500	3,700	3,700	3,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	110.5	110.3	115.7	2,700	2,700	2,500	7,400	7,400	7,000	3,500	3,500	3,600
Trade	381.2	378.4	380.8	16,800	16,700	16,500	15,200	15,200	14,700	17,500	17,700	17,500
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	98.8	98.6	100.1	3,200	3,200	3,100	2,000	1,900	1,900	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	466.2	464.2	459.1	19,100	18,900	18,400	8,400	8,400	8,000	14,900	14,800	14,400
Government	220.8	221.2	217.1	24,000	24,000	23,400	10,900	10,900	10,500	9,400	9,400	9,300
	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	**98,000**	**98,100**	**98,100**	**106,000**	**106,200**	**104,000**	**46,100**	**46,300**	**46,200**	**45,000**	**44,700**	**45,400**
Manufacturing	7,000	7,000	7,000	13,000	13,000	12,700	2,200	2,200	2,200	4,400	4,200	4,300
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	900	9,400	9,400	9,500	5,100	5,200	5,600
Construction	3,900	3,800	3,300	4,400	4,400	4,200	1,400	1,400	1,400	2,700	2,600	2,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,200	5,300	5,400	3,100	3,100	2,800	2,300	2,300	2,400	2,300	2,300	2,200
Trade	27,000	27,100	28,000	32,700	32,600	32,700	10,900	10,900	10,800	12,400	12,200	12,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	4,600	4,600	4,900	3,700	3,700	3,700	2,100	2,200	2,200	1,300	1,300	1,400
Services & Misc.	26,400	26,300	25,700	19,100	19,100	18,500	10,200	10,200	10,000	8,700	8,800	8,600
Government	23,700	23,800	23,600	29,200	29,500	28,500	7,600	7,700	7,700	8,100	8,100	8,200
	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	**38,400**	**38,300**	**37,200**	**537,800**	**535,200**	**528,600**	**37,000**	**37,100**	**37,700**	**47,100**	**47,000**	**46,200**
Manufacturing	5,000	5,000	4,900	46,500	46,000	45,800	10,000	10,000	10,800	6,100	6,100	6,300
Mining	500	500	600	1,800	1,800	2,000	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,100	22,200	22,500	22,400	1,400	1,400	1,500	1,500	1,400	1,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,800	23,500	23,100	22,600	1,700	1,700	1,600	2,200	2,100	2,300
Trade	9,300	9,200	9,000	130,300	129,500	130,100	7,600	7,600	7,700	11,300	11,300	11,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,500	38,400	38,200	38,700	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,700	1,700	1,800
Services & Misc.	10,300	10,300	9,600	150,100	149,400	146,000	9,700	9,800	9,400	11,900	12,000	11,200
Government	7,800	7,800	7,700	125,000	124,700	121,000	4,600	4,600	4,700	12,300	12,300	12,100
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	**64,400**	**64,000**	**64,000**	**30,800**	**30,700**	**30,100**	**81,800**	**83,000**	**82,600**	**50,200**	**50,200**	**50,200**
Manufacturing	11,300	11,000	10,700	2,900	2,800	3,000	14,600	14,900	15,500	7,900	8,000	8,000
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,400	1,600	1,600	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	2,200	2,300	2,100	1,900	1,900	2,000	3,100	3,000	3,100	1,400	1,400	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	3,000	2,900	2,900	1,500	1,500	1,500	3,400	3,400	3,400	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	16,500	16,400	15,900	8,600	8,500	8,100	19,300	19,300	19,500	11,700	11,700	11,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,200	3,200	3,300	1,600	1,600	1,700	5,200	5,200	5,300	2,200	2,200	2,100
Services & Misc.	16,400	16,400	16,600	7,300	7,400	6,800	22,600	23,500	22,000	13,000	12,500	12,800
Government	10,100	10,100	10,800	5,600	5,400	5,400	13,600	13,700	13,800	9,900	9,900	10,200

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✣

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	May'92*	Apr.'92	May'91	May'92*	Apr.'92	May'91	May'92*	Apr.'92	May'91
FOR TEXAS									
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 466.40	$ 465.47	$ 452.94	42.4	42.2	41.9	$ 11.00	$11.03	$10.81
Durable Goods	454.12	447.30	443.31	42.6	42.0	42.1	10.66	10.65	10.53
Lumber & Wood Products	327.56	323.24	311.44	43.1	42.7	42.2	7.60	7.57	7.38
Furniture & Fixtures	319.30	307.53	300.44	41.2	40.2	40.6	7.75	7.65	7.40
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	436.04	432.74	410.02	44.0	43.8	42.8	9.91	9.88	9.58
Primary Metal Industries	516.26	507.17	488.20	43.9	43.2	42.6	11.76	11.74	11.46
Fabricated Metal Products	440.79	425.04	410.76	43.3	42.0	42.0	10.18	10.12	9.78
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	448.24	439.45	442.55	43.1	42.5	42.8	10.40	10.34	10.34
Oil Field Machinery	552.25	535.65	562.70	47.0	45.9	48.3	11.75	11.67	11.65
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	453.46	442.49	435.69	41.0	39.9	39.5	11.06	11.09	11.03
Transportation Equipment	610.87	612.50	638.00	42.1	42.3	44.0	14.51	14.48	14.50
Instruments & Related Prod.	443.10	442.05	419.98	42.2	41.9	41.5	10.50	10.55	10.12
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	321.96	327.20	323.82	40.6	40.9	42.0	7.93	8.00	7.71
Nondurable Goods	481.50	486.03	465.79	42.2	42.3	41.7	11.41	11.49	11.17
Food & Kindred Products	390.71	390.93	386.81	42.7	42.4	42.6	9.15	9.22	9.08
Meat Products	301.33	290.46	288.49	42.5	41.2	42.3	7.09	7.05	6.82
Malt Beverages	1,018.13	961.36	1,064.16	49.4	46.6	53.8	20.61	20.63	19.78
Textile Mill Products	380.30	380.40	361.74	44.9	44.7	43.9	8.47	8.51	8.24
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	244.35	238.50	229.40	38.3	37.5	37.3	6.38	6.36	6.15
Paper & Allied Products	547.20	536.35	509.54	45.0	44.4	43.7	12.16	12.08	11.66
Printing & Publishing	433.09	438.37	425.42	39.3	39.6	39.5	11.02	11.07	10.77
Chemicals & Allied Products	768.32	786.39	760.79	44.8	45.8	44.7	17.15	17.17	17.02
Petroleum & Coal Products	851.00	867.56	793.71	46.2	46.0	45.2	18.42	18.86	17.56
Petroleum Refining	881.55	899.30	823.10	46.3	46.0	45.3	19.04	19.55	18.17
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	410.77	425.72	390.52	42.7	44.3	41.5	9.62	9.61	9.41
Leather & Leather Products	266.27	267.81	267.44	39.1	39.5	39.1	6.81	6.78	6.84
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	698.20	668.36	654.59	44.9	43.4	45.3	15.55	15.40	14.45
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls exc. Fuel	657.36	659.78	580.58	47.6	47.5	45.5	13.81	13.89	12.76
Oil & Gas Extraction	700.90	670.03	659.57	44.7	43.2	45.3	15.68	15.51	14.56
Communications	555.79	567.42	538.68	41.2	42.0	40.2	13.49	13.51	13.40
Elec., Gas & San. Services	564.67	566.64	564.48	40.8	41.3	42.0	13.84	13.72	13.44
Wholesale & Retail Trade	260.04	258.66	252.12	33.0	32.7	32.7	7.88	7.91	7.71
Wholesale Trade	449.92	451.60	432.04	40.1	40.0	39.6	11.22	11.29	10.91
Retail Trade	202.66	200.69	195.81	30.8	30.5	30.5	6.58	6.58	6.42
General Merchandise Stores	198.11	201.96	194.10	30.2	30.6	30.0	6.56	6.60	6.47
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	322.71	325.74	318.14	36.3	36.6	36.4	8.89	8.90	8.74

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 441.32	$ 435.48	$ 427.85	41.4	41.2	41.1	$ 10.66	$ 10.57	$ 10.41
Durable Goods	455.81	444.99	441.00	41.4	40.9	41.1	11.01	10.88	10.73
Nondurable Goods	418.14	420.34	407.47	41.4	41.7	41.2	10.10	10.08	9.89
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	488.04	483.39	494.58	41.5	41.0	42.2	11.76	11.79	11.72
Durable Goods	508.39	498.16	523.93	41.4	40.6	42.7	12.28	12.27	12.27
Nondurable Goods	450.19	453.86	434.43	41.8	41.6	41.1	10.77	10.91	10.57
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	568.48	564.58	558.11	44.0	43.8	44.9	12.92	12.89	12.43
Durable Goods	490.84	478.95	482.23	44.5	43.7	44.9	11.03	10.96	10.74
Nondurable Goods	667.73	672.55	665.42	43.5	43.9	44.9	15.35	15.32	14.82
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	344.77	346.50	329.26	42.2	42.0	40.4	8.17	8.25	8.15
Durable Goods	349.03	357.84	335.78	41.9	42.6	40.8	8.33	8.40	8.23
Nondurable Goods	341.28	335.75	322.80	42.5	41.4	40.0	8.03	8.11	8.07

✣Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Manufacturing rose by 2,400 from April. At 979,600, this was down by 4,500 from May '91. **Nondurable Goods** increased by 2,000 over the month. Both Apparel and Other Finished Textile Products and Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastics Products moved ahead by 500 from a month ago. Food and Kindred Products rose by 300, while both Paper and Allied Products and Printing and Publishing increased by 200. Smaller increases of 100 each were found in Chemicals and Allied Products, Petroleum and Coal Products and Leather and Leather Products.

Durable Goods rose by 400 overall from April '92. Electronic and Other Electrical Equipment showed a significant gain of 900 jobs. This expansion was concentrated in Electronic Components and Accessories, related to a new state-of-the-art computer chip-making plant. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries increased by 200 over the month, while the rest of the Durable Goods major sectors fell or remained steady from last month.

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Average Weekly Earnings Increase

For the estimated 645,200 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings decreased by three cents over the month and Average Weekly Hours were up by two-tenths of an hour, causing Average Weekly Earnings to increase by ninety-three cents from April 1992. This was $13.46 above the May '91 level of $452.94.

In mid-May a worker, on average, was earning $11.00 per hour for a 42.4-hour work week and making $466.40 in average weekly earnings.

Durable Goods reported an increase of $6.82 in Average Weekly Earnings over the month. The largest increase in Durables was seen in Oil Field Machinery (part of Industrial Machinery, Except Electric) which rose by $16.60 from April '92. Fabricated Metal Products increased by $15.75, while Furniture and Fixtures went up by $11.77 in Average Weekly Earnings. Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries reported the largest Durable decrease, down by $5.24 over the month.

Nondurable Goods went down by $4.53 in Average Weekly Earnings from April. The largest Nondurable decrease appeared in Chemicals and Allied Products, down by $18.07. Malt Beverages (within Food and Kindred Products) went up by $56.77 over the month due to major breweries scheduling longer work weeks in May.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	May'92	May'91
Total Population	17,651,000*	17,289,000*
% UI Covered Unemployment	2.4	2.0
UI Covered Employers	330,968	322,789
Total Claims Actions	688,739	678,801
Total Initial Claims Actions	69,332	66,158
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	619,407	612,643
Total Placements	28,277	33,816
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$171.30	$166.28
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	84,458,038	84,014,372

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MODERATE JOB GROWTH CONTINUES

Unemployment Rate Rises

The actual (not seasonally adjusted) unemployment rate for Texas rose substantially over the month, increasing from 7.4 percent in May to 8.3 percent in June 1992. The June '91 rate was 6.1 percent. The number of jobless Texans rose over the month by 97,800, totaling 742,600 in mid-June. It is not unusual for unemployment to rise in June, as many summer job-seekers enter the labor force; but the current level of 8.3 percent was the highest in the actual series in over four years. Total employment also increased over the month, rising to an estimated 8,195,000.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate rose from 7.5 percent in May to 8.2 percent in June. A year ago the rate was 5.8 percent.

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs Rise

The number of Nonfarm Salaried Jobs in Texas rose by 7,000 from May to June 1992. **Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment** totaled 7,266,100 in June, which was up by 75,800 from one year ago. Total **Nonmanufacturing** rose by 2,500 over the month. At 6,278,600, this was an increase of 77,800 from June '91.

Services produced the largest Nonmanufacturing gain, up 9,100 over the month. Most of this gain was concentrated in Health Services, which rose by 3,100, and in Other Services and Miscellaneous, up by 3,400 over the month. Seasonal gains were seen in Amusement, Including Motion Pictures, which rose by 1,100, due mostly to outdoor sports and amusement parks; and in Hotels and Other Lodging Places, which increased by 800 from May. Business and Repair Services rose by 1,200. The only losses in Services occurred in Personal Services, down by 400, and in Educational Services, which decreased by 100 over the month.

Wholesale and Retail Trade increased by 7,300 from May. Retail Trade carried the

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	June'92	May '92	June'91
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	129,002.0	126,704.0	127,054.0
Unemployment	10,095.0	9,169.0	8,774.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.8%**	**7.2%**	**6.9%**
Total Employment	118,907.0	117,535.0	118,280.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	127,549.0	127,160.0	125,524.0
Unemployment	9,975.0	9,504.0	8,615.0
Percent Unemployed	**7.8%**	**7.5%**	**6.9%**
Total Employment	117,574.0	117,656.0	116,909.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,937.6	8,726.8	8,644.9
Unemployment	742.6	644.8	523.4
Percent Unemployed	**8.3%**	**7.4%**	**6.1%**
Total Employment	8,195.0	8,082.0	8,121.5
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,822.0	8,741.0	8,530.0
Unemployment	721.0	659.0	497.0
Percent Unemployed	**8.2%**	**7.5%**	**5.8%**
Total Employment	8,101.0	8,082.0	8,033.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	June'92*	May'92**	June'91**	June'92*	May'92**	June'91**	June'92*	May'92**	June'91**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	52,100	51,700	50,000	100,300	98,600	97,800	466,900	461,000	450,600
Total Unemployment	3,800	3,400	2,700	6,000	5,600	4,500	26,800	23,300	19,700
Percent Unemployed	**7.3%**	**6.6%**	**5.4%**	**6.0%**	**5.7%**	**4.6%**	**5.7%**	**5.1%**	**4.4%**
Total Employment ++	48,300	48,300	47,300	94,300	93,000	93,300	440,100	437,700	430,900
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	185,000	179,300	173,400	99,500	96,700	94,000	117,200	114,200	110,100
Total Unemployment	18,300	15,400	12,100	8,400	7,100	5,000	16,100	14,000	12,900
Percent Unemployed	**9.9%**	**8.6%**	**7.0%**	**8.4%**	**7.3%**	**5.3%**	**13.7%**	**12.3%**	**11.7%**
Total Employment ++	166,700	163,900	161,300	91,100	89,600	89,000	101,100	100,200	97,200
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	63,400	66,300	60,300	174,200	169,500	167,100	1,486.6	1,456.9	1,454.2
Total Unemployment	2,900	2,700	2,100	19,400	16,700	12,000	115.0	102.0	80.9
Percent Unemployed	**4.6%**	**4.1%**	**3.5%**	**11.1%**	**9.9%**	**7.2%**	**7.7%**	**7.0%**	**5.6%**
Total Employment ++	60,500	63,600	58,200	154,800	152,800	155,100	1,371.6	1,354.9	1,373.3
		EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
Total Civilian Labor Force	264,700	256,700	252,200	762,400	744,200	750,200	120,100	115,700	114,900
Total Unemployment	31,600	27,200	25,300	56,700	50,400	45,800	12,100	9,900	7,400
Percent Unemployed	**11.9%**	**10.6%**	**10.0%**	**7.4%**	**6.8%**	**6.1%**	**10.1%**	**8.6%**	**6.4%**
Total Employment ++	233,100	229,500	226,900	705,700	693,800	704,400	108,000	105,800	107,500
		HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,832.5	1,785.1	1,782.7	103,300	100,000	99,000	58,800	57,000	55,100
Total Unemployment	145.2	124.8	94.1	8,800	7,600	6,300	6,200	5,200	4,600
Percent Unemployed	**7.9%**	**7.0%**	**5.3%**	**8.5%**	**7.6%**	**6.4%**	**10.5%**	**9.1%**	**8.3%**
Total Employment ++	1,687.3	1,660.3	1,688.6	94,500	92,400	92,700	52,600	51,800	50,500
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION	
Total Civilian Labor Force	84,500	82,600	81,500	118,600	116,300	115,700	168,300	165,400	158,200
Total Unemployment	8,700	7,600	6,200	9,300	7,200	6,800	29,500	25,600	22,000
Percent Unemployed	**10.3%**	**9.2%**	**7.6%**	**7.8%**	**6.2%**	**5.9%**	**17.5%**	**15.5%**	**13.9%**
Total Employment ++	75,800	75,000	75,300	109,300	109,100	108,900	138,800	139,800	136,200
		MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	51,000	49,900	50,000	56,200	54,800	53,800	46,800	45,900	44,300
Total Unemployment	4,300	3,700	2,400	6,600	5,500	3,400	3,100	2,800	2,200
Percent Unemployed	**8.4%**	**7.4%**	**4.8%**	**11.7%**	**10.0%**	**6.3%**	**6.6%**	**6.1%**	**5.0%**
Total Employment ++	46,700	46,200	47,600	49,600	49,300	50,400	43,700	43,100	42,100
		SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
Total Civilian Labor Force	633,700	620,200	613,000	47,200	47,000	47,200	60,000	58,900	57,400
Total Unemployment	48,900	42,200	38,200	3,700	3,500	2,800	5,700	4,900	4,400
Percent Unemployed	**7.7%**	**6.8%**	**6.2%**	**7.8%**	**7.4%**	**5.9%**	**9.5%**	**8.3%**	**7.7%**
Total Employment ++	584,800	578,000	574,800	43,500	43,500	44,400	54,300	54,000	53,000
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	77,700	76,100	75,700	40,100	38,900	38,000	95,100	93,200	93,300
Total Unemployment	6,100	5,300	4,500	3,000	2,500	1,800	7,800	6,800	6,000
Percent Unemployed	**7.9%**	**7.0%**	**5.9%**	**7.5%**	**6.4%**	**4.7%**	**8.2%**	**7.3%**	**6.4%**
Total Employment ++	71,600	70,800	71,200	37,100	36,400	36,200	87,300	86,400	87,300
		WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	56,700	55,400	55,400				8,937.6	8,726.8	8,644.9
Total Unemployment	4,700	4,000	3,600				742.6	644.8	523.4
Percent Unemployed	**8.3%**	**7.2%**	**6.5%**				**8.3%**	**7.4%**	**6.1%**
Total Employment ++	52,000	51,400	51,800				8,195.0	8,082.0	8,121.5

+ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

- * Preliminary – subject to revision. ** Revised. *** In Thousands.

entire increase, while Wholesale Trade remained the same over the month. The largest Retail increase occurred in Eating and Drinking Places, which showed a seasonal gain of 6,600 jobs. This was due to continued hiring of additional summer workers. Food Stores increased by 2,000, while Automotive Dealers and Service Stations went up by 400 from May. Decreases were reported in General Merchandise Stores, down by 900, and in Apparel and Accessory Stores, and in Other Retail Trade, both down by 400 over the month.

The **Construction** industry enjoyed significant growth in June with the addition of 3,300 jobs. Attributable to favorable weather and an increase in new housing starts, this expansion was centered in General Building Contractors and Special Trade Contractors.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate went up by 1,600. Insurance Carriers, Agents and Brokers increased by 700; Other Finance, Insurance and Real Estate gained 500; while Depository Institutions, Including Banks, gained 400 jobs over the month.

Transportation and Public Utilities increased by 1,000 from one month ago. The largest increase occurred in transportation other than railroad. Trucking and Warehousing exhibited its usual summertime growth, while airline travel, fueled by ticket wars in May, generated 400 jobs. Layoffs in a major electric department struck a strong blow to employment in firms in Electric Services, which lost 1,000 jobs over the month. This type of "streamlining" by permanent layoffs has been a common trend in all areas of energy production, as competition between companies intensified.

The **Mining** industry registered a loss of 1,100 positions during June, continuing last month's downward trend. Reductions in force by prominent producers of lignite caused employment in Metal and Coal and Nonmetallic Minerals, Except Fuel, to drop by 300. Oil and Gas Extraction experienced cutbacks amounting to 800 jobs, an indication of reduced exploration activity in Texas fields.

Total Government experienced a loss of 18,700 jobs over the month. This was the largest loss of any of the sectors. The ending of spring terms on state and local campuses contributed to a loss of 7,200 jobs in State Government and 12,200 jobs in Local Government. Federal Government produced an overall gain of 700 as a loss of 100 jobs in Federal Defense was offset by a gain of 800

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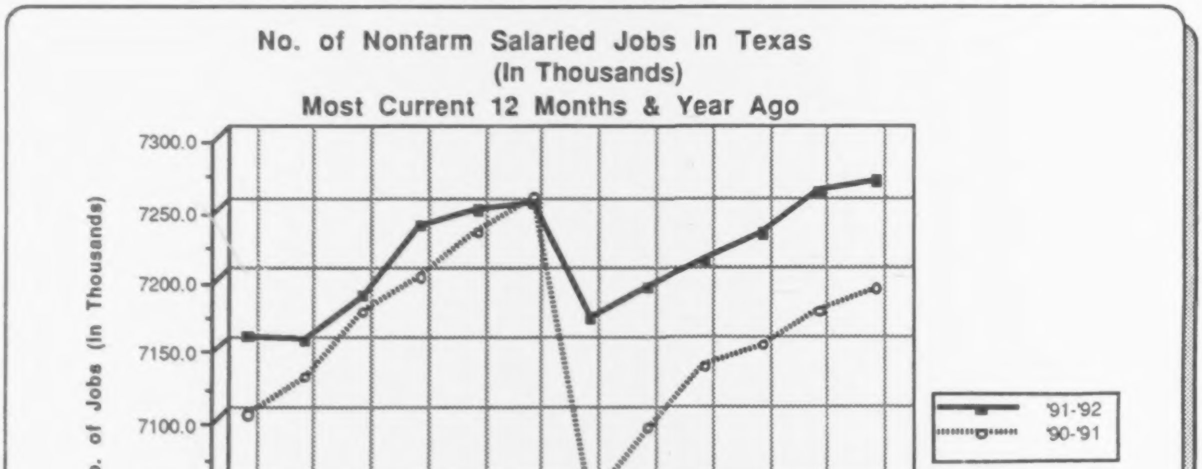

No. of Nonfarm Salaried Jobs In Texas
(In Thousands)
Most Current 12 Months & Year Ago

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	June '92*	May '92**	June '91**	Chg. from May '92	Chg. from June '91
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,266,100**	**7,259,100**	**7,190,300**	**7,000**	**75,800**
MANUFACTURING	**987,500**	**983,000**	**989,500**	**4,500**	**-2,000**
Durable Goods	**556,800**	**553,100**	**564,700**	**3,700**	**-7,900**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,600	30,300	30,600	300	0
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,500	6,400	6,800	100	-300
Furniture & Fixtures	16,600	16,400	16,200	200	400
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	34,800	34,300	34,400	500	400
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,800	14,800	14,900	0	-100
Primary Metal Industries	31,000	30,600	31,000	400	0
Fabricated Metal Industries	81,300	80,500	82,700	800	-1,400
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	39,300	38,700	39,500	600	-200
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	115,200	114,700	119,300	500	-4,100
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	25,200	25,100	28,900	100	-3,700
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	102,000	101,400	104,600	600	-2,600
Transportation Equipment	87,000	86,800	88,600	200	-1,600
Aircraft & Parts	59,000	59,100	60,700	-100	-1,700
Instruments & Related Prod.	40,800	40,700	40,800	100	0
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	17,500	17,400	16,500	100	1,000
Nondurable Goods	**430,700**	**429,900**	**424,800**	**800**	**5,900**
Food & Kindred Products	96,400	95,700	96,300	700	100
Meat Products	31,000	30,900	30,200	100	800
Dairy Products	4,300	4,300	4,300	0	0
Bakery Products	10,200	10,200	10,100	0	100
Malt Beverages	3,300	3,200	3,000	100	300
Textile Mill Products	4,100	4,100	4,000	0	100
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	59,900	59,600	57,100	300	2,800
Paper & Allied Products	25,700	25,600	25,400	100	300
Printing & Publishing	75,700	76,700	75,400	-1,000	300
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	36,000	37,000	35,500	-1,000	500
Chemicals & Allied Products	87,600	87,200	87,000	400	600
Petroleum & Coal Products	30,500	30,400	30,200	100	300
Petroleum Refining	27,600	27,500	27,200	100	400
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	42,900	42,700	41,700	200	1,200
Leather & Leather Products	7,800	7,800	7,600	0	200
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,278,600**	**6,276,100**	**6,200,800**	**2,500**	**77,800**
Mining	**173,400**	**174,500**	**187,800**	**-1,100**	**-14,400**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,000	9,300	9,500	-300	-500
Oil & Gas Extraction	164,400	165,200	178,300	-800	-13,900
Construction	**353,500**	**350,200**	**351,100**	**3,300**	**2,400**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**435,800**	**434,800**	**435,200**	**1,000**	**600**
Railroad Transportation	17,000	17,000	17,300	0	-300
Other Transportation	251,900	250,600	247,600	1,300	4,300
Transportation by Air	81,800	81,400	78,700	400	3,100
Communications	88,600	88,400	89,600	200	-1,000
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	78,300	78,800	80,700	-500	-2,400
Electric Services	38,700	39,700	40,700	-1,000	-2,000
Gas Production & Distribution	27,300	26,900	28,300	400	-1,000
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,751,200**	**1,743,900**	**1,745,800**	**7,300**	**5,400**
Wholesale Trade	435,200	435,200	438,000	0	-2,800
Retail Trade	1,316,000	1,308,700	1,307,800	7,300	8,200
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	42,000	42,000	42,800	0	-800
General Merchandise Stores	168,400	169,300	173,100	-900	-4,700
Food Stores	243,800	241,800	241,700	2,000	2,100
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	135,000	134,600	133,600	400	1,400
Apparel & Accessory Stores	75,100	75,500	78,100	-400	-3,000
Eating & Drinking Places	467,400	460,800	453,700	6,600	13,700
Other Retail Trade	184,300	184,700	184,800	-400	-500
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**431,700**	**430,100**	**428,700**	**1,600**	**3,000**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	119,500	119,100	121,300	400	-1,800
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	145,100	144,400	141,900	700	3,200
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	167,100	166,600	165,500	500	1,600
Services	**1,832,500**	**1,823,400**	**1,784,700**	**9,100**	**47,800**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	82,800	82,000	84,700	800	-1,900
Personal Services	81,200	81,600	78,900	-400	2,300
Business & Repair Services	453,100	451,900	452,600	1,200	500
Amusement, including Motion Pictures	91,800	90,700	94,900	1,100	-3,100
Health Services	538,800	535,700	506,300	3,100	32,500
Educational Services	90,000	90,100	82,100	-100	7,900
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	157,800	157,800	155,200	0	2,600
Other Services & Miscellaneous	337,000	333,600	330,000	3,400	7,000
Total Government	**1,300,500**	**1,319,200**	**1,267,500**	**-18,700**	**33,000**
Federal Government	200,800	200,100	198,600	700	2,200
State Government	282,600	289,800	267,100	-7,200	15,500
Local Government	817,100	829,300	801,800	-12,200	15,300

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT + TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	June'92*	May '92**	June'91**	June'92*	May '92**	June'91**	June'92*	May '92**	June'91**	June'92*	May '92**	June'91**
Industry		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR	
TOTAL	**48,800**	**49,500**	**47,900**	**80,500**	**80,300**	**79,400**	**395,600**	**398,700**	**388,600**	**154,400**	**153,800**	**150,300**
Manufacturing	4,400	4,400	4,200	8,900	8,900	8,500	51,800	51,600	51,400	25,900	25,800	25,700
Mining	1,300	1,400	1,400	700	700	900	700	700	700	2,000	2,000	2,000
Construction	1,700	1,700	1,500	2,800	2,700	3,200	13,600	13,300	13,000	17,300	17,200	15,800
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,600	2,600	5,700	5,700	5,300	13,100	13,000	12,600	10,000	10,000	9,900
Trade	13,000	13,100	12,600	23,600	23,000	23,200	79,100	79,200	78,700	33,500	33,300	33,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	2,000	1,900	2,000	4,300	4,200	4,100	23,300	23,200	23,400	5,100	5,100	5,000
Services & Misc.	14,600	15,100	14,500	19,500	19,000	19,400	103,400	102,600	101,000	38,500	37,900	36,900
Government	9,100	9,300	9,100	15,000	16,100	14,800	110,600	115,100	107,800	22,100	22,500	22,000
		BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI	
TOTAL	**73,500**	**73,200**	**71,900**	**80,600**	**80,700**	**78,000**	**54,300**	**58,700**	**52,300**	**135,900**	**135,700**	**136,200**
Manufacturing	17,600	17,400	17,200	11,800	11,800	11,500	4,200	4,200	3,600	13,000	13,000	13,100
Mining	2,000	2,000	2,200	—	—	—	600	600	600	3,600	3,600	3,900
Construction	12,700	12,400	12,300	2,400	2,300	2,200	1,900	1,900	1,900	11,200	11,200	11,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,800	2,800	3,800	3,800	3,600	1,400	1,400	1,400	6,900	6,800	7,000
Trade	13,200	13,000	13,000	22,100	22,100	21,500	11,500	12,200	11,500	32,200	31,900	32,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,800	3,700	3,700	1,900	1,800	1,800	5,900	5,900	6,200
Services & Misc.	11,300	11,200	10,800	18,800	18,900	18,200	11,100	11,100	10,900	33,400	33,400	32,900
Government	12,100	12,500	11,700	17,900	18,100	17,300	21,700	25,500	20,600	29,700	29,900	29,500
		DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
TOTAL	**1,378.3**	**1,378.9**	**1,379.5**	**214,200**	**214,100**	**208,800**	**594,100**	**591,300**	**592,200**	**80,000**	**79,500**	**79,800**
Manufacturing	209.7	209.9	214.7	42,000	41,700	40,600	103,400	103,600	107,900	8,700	8,700	8,800
Mining	18.2	18.0	18.6	—	—	—	4,400	4,300	4,500	700	700	800
Construction	44.4	43.9	46.7	8,100	8,100	7,600	20,400	20,500	22,300	4,400	4,300	4,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	86.2	85.5	83.8	11,000	10,900	10,600	59,600	59,200	57,600	5,400	5,300	5,800
Trade	359.1	356.9	354.2	52,900	53,000	52,500	148,200	146,900	150,200	17,000	16,900	16,900
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	125.1	125.4	128.2	8,100	8,100	8,100	27,700	27,800	29,000	5,500	5,500	5,500
Services & Misc.	370.5	369.6	369.8	46,200	45,400	45,000	150,400	148,300	144,500	15,000	14,700	14,900
Government	165.1	169.7	163.5	45,900	46,900	44,400	80,000	80,700	76,200	23,300	23,400	22,600
		HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL	
TOTAL	**1,643.1**	**1,637.7**	**1,650.1**	**77,300**	**76,400**	**75,700**	**49,400**	**49,100**	**47,400**	**71,000**	**71,200**	**70,400**
Manufacturing	180.9	179.9	184.0	8,400	8,200	8,600	1,700	1,700	1,800	16,300	16,100	16,300
Mining	66.5	67.2	71.7	—	—	—	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,400	3,400	3,500
Construction	115.6	114.3	115.3	2,600	2,400	2,600	1,600	1,600	1,500	3,700	3,800	3,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	110.4	110.4	116.2	2,700	2,700	2,600	7,500	7,400	7,000	3,500	3,500	3,500
Trade	383.0	380.5	384.9	17,200	16,800	16,600	15,300	15,200	14,700	17,500	17,600	17,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	99.6	98.9	101.0	3,200	3,200	3,200	2,000	2,000	1,900	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	470.6	465.6	464.2	19,300	19,100	18,600	8,500	8,400	8,100	14,700	14,800	14,500
Government	216.5	220.9	212.8	23,900	24,000	23,500	10,900	10,900	10,500	9,300	9,400	9,100
		LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA	
TOTAL	**97,400**	**98,300**	**96,700**	**105,000**	**106,300**	**101,800**	**46,100**	**46,200**	**46,800**	**44,700**	**44,900**	**45,400**
Manufacturing	7,000	7,000	7,000	13,500	13,000	12,400	2,300	2,300	2,300	4,300	4,300	4,400
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	900	9,500	9,400	9,600	5,100	5,100	5,600
Construction	3,900	3,900	3,400	4,500	4,500	4,300	1,400	1,400	1,500	2,800	2,700	2,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,200	5,300	5,200	3,200	3,100	2,800	2,300	2,300	2,400	2,300	2,300	2,200
Trade	27,200	27,000	27,800	32,300	32,700	31,600	11,000	10,900	10,800	12,300	12,400	12,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	4,800	4,600	4,900	3,700	3,700	3,700	2,100	2,100	2,300	1,300	1,300	1,400
Services & Misc.	26,500	26,500	25,800	19,000	19,200	18,600	10,100	10,200	10,200	8,800	8,800	8,700
Government	22,600	23,800	22,400	28,000	29,300	27,500	7,400	7,600	7,700	7,800	8,000	7,800
		SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
TOTAL	**38,200**	**38,400**	**36,900**	**536,000**	**537,500**	**526,300**	**36,500**	**37,200**	**37,400**	**47,300**	**47,200**	**46,500**
Manufacturing	4,900	5,000	4,900	46,800	46,500	46,000	9,900	10,000	10,900	6,300	6,200	6,400
Mining	500	500	600	1,800	1,800	1,900	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,000	1,100	22,300	22,200	22,400	1,400	1,400	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,800	23,800	23,500	22,900	1,700	1,700	1,700	2,200	2,200	2,200
Trade	9,400	9,300	9,100	130,600	129,800	131,300	7,700	7,700	7,700	11,300	11,300	11,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,500	38,400	38,400	38,600	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,800	1,700	1,800
Services & Misc.	10,300	10,400	9,800	151,100	150,300	146,000	9,400	9,700	9,100	12,200	11,900	11,600
Government	7,600	7,800	7,100	121,200	125,000	117,200	4,400	4,700	4,500	11,900	12,300	11,700
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS	
TOTAL	**64,200**	**64,400**	**63,900**	**30,600**	**30,700**	**29,900**	**81,900**	**81,900**	**82,000**	**50,000**	**50,200**	**49,800**
Manufacturing	11,300	11,200	10,800	2,800	2,800	2,900	14,700	14,600	15,400	7,900	7,900	7,900
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,800	1,400	1,500	1,700	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	2,200	2,200	2,100	2,100	1,900	2,000	3,200	3,100	3,200	1,400	1,400	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	3,000	2,900	2,900	1,500	1,500	1,500	3,400	3,400	3,400	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	16,400	16,500	15,800	8,300	8,500	8,200	19,300	19,300	19,400	11,800	11,700	11,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,200	3,200	3,300	1,600	1,600	1,700	5,300	5,200	5,300	2,200	2,200	2,200
Services & Misc.	16,600	16,600	17,000	7,300	7,300	7,000	22,800	22,600	22,000	12,800	13,000	12,500
Government	9,800	10,100	10,200	5,600	5,600	4,900	13,200	13,700	13,300	9,800	9,900	10,000

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HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✣

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	June'92*	May'92	June'91	June'92*	May'92	June'91	June'92*	May'92	June'91
FOR TEXAS									
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 469.45	$ 470.98	$ 458.89	42.6	42.7	42.1	$ 11.02	$11.03	$10.90
Durable Goods	460.75	457.53	450.71	42.9	42.8	42.4	10.74	10.69	10.63
Lumber & Wood Products	329.62	326.59	313.41	43.6	43.2	41.9	7.56	7.56	7.48
Furniture & Fixtures	320.12	320.54	302.35	41.2	41.2	40.1	7.77	7.78	7.54
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	435.37	437.03	426.84	44.2	44.1	43.6	9.85	9.91	9.79
Primary Metal Industries	533.57	524.21	492.78	44.8	44.5	43.0	11.91	11.78	11.46
Fabricated Metal Products	439.35	445.45	415.67	43.5	43.8	42.2	10.10	10.17	9.85
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	452.30	450.75	458.92	43.2	43.3	44.0	10.47	10.41	10.43
Oil Field Machinery	549.67	552.25	593.49	46.9	47.0	50.9	11.72	11.75	11.66
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	458.08	451.54	441.14	40.9	40.9	39.6	11.20	11.04	11.14
Transportation Equipment	628.12	613.82	638.30	42.7	42.1	43.6	14.71	14.58	14.64
Instruments & Related Prod.	441.21	441.19	417.54	42.1	42.3	41.3	10.48	10.43	10.11
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	324.31	323.11	318.76	41.0	40.9	40.4	7.91	7.90	7.89
Nondurable Goods	481.66	485.78	468.29	42.4	42.5	41.7	11.36	11.43	11.23
Food & Kindred Products	393.33	392.54	383.35	42.8	42.9	42.5	9.19	9.15	9.02
Meat Products	297.23	301.33	284.28	42.1	42.5	41.5	7.06	7.09	6.85
Malt Beverages	1,021.61	1,017.15	991.25	50.6	49.4	50.6	20.19	20.59	19.59
Textile Mill Products	376.03	379.41	369.73	44.5	44.9	44.6	8.45	8.45	8.29
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	245.99	247.40	226.30	38.8	38.9	36.5	6.34	6.36	6.20
Paper & Allied Products	533.56	546.61	505.91	44.5	45.1	43.5	11.99	12.12	11.63
Printing & Publishing	430.29	436.08	428.18	38.8	39.5	39.5	11.09	11.04	10.84
Chemicals & Allied Products	760.39	772.11	758.46	45.1	45.1	44.8	16.86	17.12	16.93
Petroleum & Coal Products	862.92	896.33	822.07	45.9	47.2	45.9	18.80	18.99	17.91
Petroleum Refining	893.67	929.45	853.30	45.9	47.3	46.0	19.47	19.65	18.55
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	420.11	410.77	402.06	43.4	42.7	42.1	9.68	9.62	9.55
Leather & Leather Products	279.54	274.18	278.66	42.1	40.8	40.8	6.64	6.72	6.83
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	660.83	697.75	653.28	42.8	44.9	44.2	15.44	15.54	14.78
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	665.38	662.46	581.49	47.8	47.9	45.5	13.92	13.83	12.78
Oil & Gas Extraction	659.74	700.00	657.53	42.4	44.7	44.1	15.56	15.66	14.91
Communications	562.51	561.08	541.76	41.3	41.5	40.4	13.62	13.52	13.41
Elec., Gas & San. Services	565.95	558.14	575.72	41.1	40.8	42.9	13.77	13.68	13.42
Wholesale & Retail Trade	260.62	260.17	254.76	33.2	33.1	33.0	7.85	7.86	7.72
Wholesale Trade	450.47	449.60	438.80	39.9	40.0	40.0	11.29	11.24	10.97
Retail Trade	204.05	203.05	198.69	31.2	31.0	30.9	6.54	6.55	6.43
General Merchandise Stores	201.43	198.77	197.30	30.8	30.3	30.4	6.54	6.56	6.49
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	324.32	321.46	340.86	36.4	36.2	39.0	8.91	8.88	8.74

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 447.30	$ 442.62	$ 435.30	42.0	41.6	41.3	$ 10.65	$ 10.64	$ 10.54
Durable Goods	464.88	455.94	450.58	42.3	41.6	41.3	10.99	10.96	10.91
Nondurable Goods	418.74	422.42	412.34	41.5	41.7	41.4	10.09	10.13	9.96
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	494.77	491.36	500.41	41.3	41.5	42.3	11.98	11.84	11.83
Durable Goods	516.22	511.29	531.53	41.1	41.3	42.9	12.56	12.38	12.39
Nondurable Goods	453.11	453.18	436.24	41.8	42.0	41.0	10.84	10.79	10.64
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	571.12	575.06	566.70	44.0	44.1	45.3	12.98	13.04	12.51
Durable Goods	490.84	489.07	495.39	44.5	44.3	45.7	11.03	11.04	10.84
Nondurable Goods	672.70	682.40	665.43	43.4	43.8	44.6	15.50	15.58	14.92
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	341.94	339.47	332.92	41.7	41.5	40.6	8.20	8.18	8.20
Durable Goods	345.28	345.28	340.30	41.4	41.5	41.0	8.34	8.32	8.30
Nondurable Goods	339.75	333.66	326.42	42.1	41.5	40.2	8.07	8.04	8.12

✣Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

in Federal Nondefense. Two areas of Nondefense which reflected growth were hospitals and federal facilities which provide tours.

Manufacturing increased by 4,500 from May. **Durable Goods** rose by 3,700. The largest Durables gain was found in Fabricated Metal Industries, which gained 800 jobs over the month. Other larger gains were seen in Electronic and Other Electrical Equipment, up by 600; in Industrial Machinery and Equipment and Stone, Clay and Glass Products, both up by 500; and in Primary Metal Industries, up by 400 over the month.

Nondurable Goods rose by 800 from May to June. Food and Kindred Products produced the largest Nondurable gain, up 700 from May. The largest loss was found in Printing and Publishing, which decreased by 1,000 jobs over the month.

Average Weekly Earnings Fall

For the estimated 652,300 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings fell by one cent from May to June 1992. Average Weekly Hours were down by one-tenth of an hour, as Average Weekly Earnings decreased by $1.53 over the month. This was $10.56 above the June '91 level of $458.89. In mid-June a worker, on average, was earning $11.02 per hour for a 42.6-hour week.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	June'92	June'91
Total Population	17,681,200*	17,319,200*
% UI Covered Unemployment	2.2	1.9
UI Covered Employers	329,896	320,948
Total Claims Actions	754,506	602,323
Total Initial Claims Actions	78,779	62,968
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	675,727	539,355
Total Placements	34,557	36,793
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$170.95	$166.83
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	96,277,564	73,249,018

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Abilene	$1,579,275
Amarillo	2,422,933
Austin	11,140,710
Beaumont-Port Arthur	8,117,535
Brazoria	3,959,199
Brownsville-Harlingen	4,893,365
Bryan-College Station	986,891
Corpus Christi	8,462,686
Dallas	64,956,778
El Paso	10,389,098
Fort Worth-Arlington	32,394,455
Galveston-Texas City	5,807,824
Houston	75,302,077
Killeen-Temple	2,031,617
Laredo	1,788,902
Longview-Marshall	3,849,412
Lubbock	2,998,377
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	8,256,679
Midland	2,086,965
Odessa	3,375,323
San Angelo	1,191,639
San Antonio	17,537,852
Sherman-Denison	2,032,117
Texarkana (Bowie Co. only)	1,292,249
Tyler	2,603,799
Victoria	1,290,185
Waco	3,336,376
Wichita Falls	2,231,848

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NONFARM JOBS SEASONALLY DECLINE

Unemployment Rate Drops

Unemployment in Texas declined sharply over the month, as the actual (not seasonally adjusted) jobless rate dropped from 8.3 percent in June to 7.4 percent in July. There were some 90,000 fewer Texans seeking work in July, dropping the total to 652,300. The current rate continued to be above the year-ago level of 6.8 percent. Total employment rose modestly in the actual series, to an estimated 8,215,900 in mid-July.

Most of the decrease in unemployment was due to early entrants looking for summer jobs who did not find work and withdrew from the job search in July.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate dropped from 8.2 percent in June to 7.2 percent in July. The year-ago rate was 6.7 percent. The U. S. seasonally adjusted rate fell from 7.8 percent in June to 7.7 percent in July. In July '91 the rate was 6.8 percent. The U. S. actual rate dropped from 7.8 percent to 7.6 percent over the month. A year ago that rate was 6.7 percent.

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs Decrease

The number of Nonfarm Salaried Jobs in Texas actually dropped over the month, as large layoffs of school and college personnel for the summer pushed the total down by 37,800 jobs. **Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment** totaled 7,226,600 in July, which was up by 70,200 from one year ago.

Total **Nonmanufacturing** fell by 38,800. At 6,235,100, this was an increase of 69,900 from June '91. **Government** showed the largest Nonmanufacturing decrease, losing 49,700 jobs over the month.

Wholesale and Retail Trade lost 500 jobs from one month ago. Eating and Drinking Places was down by 800; Wholesale Trade lost 600; Building Materials and Garden Supplies lost 400; while General Merchandise Stores fell by 200 over the month. Automotive

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	July'92	June '92	July'91
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	129,599.0	129,002.0	127,327.0
Unemployment	9,845.0	10,095.0	8,576.0
Percent Unemployed	7.6%	7.8%	6.7%
Total Employment	119,754.0	118,907.0	118,751.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	127,532.0	127,549.0	125,204.0
Unemployment	9,760.0	9,975.0	8,475.0
Percent Unemployed	7.7%	7.8%	6.8%
Total Employment	117,772.0	117,574.0	116,729.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,868.2	8,937.6	8,737.6
Unemployment	652.3	742.6	595.7
Percent Unemployed	7.4%	8.3%	6.8%
Total Employment	8,215.9	8,195.0	8,141.9
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,727.0	8,822.0	8,598.0
Unemployment	624.0	721.0	573.0
Percent Unemployed	7.2%	8.2%	6.7%
Total Employment	8,103.0	8,101.0	8,025.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	July'92*	June'92**	July'91**	July'92*	June'92**	July'91**	July'92*	June'92**	July'91**
		ABILENE			**AMARILLO**			**AUSTIN**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	51,700	52,100	50,400	100,200	100,200	99,000	458,900	467,100	450,000
Total Unemployment	3,400	3,800	3,000	5,300	6,000	5,300	22,600	26,700	22,900
Percent Unemployed	**6.6%**	**7.3%**	**6.0%**	**5.3%**	**6.0%**	**5.4%**	**4.9%**	**5.7%**	**5.1%**
Total Employment ++	48,300	48,300	47,400	94,900	94,200	93,700	436,300	440,400	427,100
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			**BRAZORIA**			**BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	183,200	184,800	175,300	98,800	99,700	95,100	114,900	117,500	113,200
Total Unemployment	16,100	18,300	13,600	7,400	8,400	5,900	13,800	16,100	14,800
Percent Unemployed	**8.8%**	**9.9%**	**7.8%**	**7.5%**	**8.4%**	**6.2%**	**12.0%**	**13.7%**	**13.1%**
Total Employment ++	167,100	166,500	161,700	91,400	91,300	89,200	101,100	101,400	98,400
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			**CORPUS CHRISTI**			**DALLAS*****	
Total Civilian Labor Force	64,300	62,600	62,400	174,300	175,300	171,400	1,477.6	1,490.4	1,469.0
Total Unemployment	2,500	2,900	2,300	16,600	19,400	14,200	100.5	115.2	91.9
Percent Unemployed	**3.9%**	**4.6%**	**3.7%**	**9.5%**	**11.1%**	**8.3%**	**6.8%**	**7.7%**	**6.3%**
Total Employment ++	61,800	59,700	60,100	157,700	155,900	157,200	1,377.1	1,375.2	1,377.1
		EL PASO			**FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON**			**GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	260,400	263,000	255,500	760,700	762,100	757,200	119,400	120,500	116,800
Total Unemployment	27,600	31,700	28,100	50,800	56,900	52,800	10,500	12,100	8,700
Percent Unemployed	**10.6%**	**12.1%**	**11.0%**	**6.7%**	**7.5%**	**7.0%**	**8.8%**	**10.0%**	**7.4%**
Total Employment ++	232,800	231,300	227,400	709,900	705,200	704,400	108,900	108,400	108,100
		HOUSTON***			**KILLEEN-TEMPLE**			**LAREDO**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,821.5	1,828.5	1,807.3	102,600	102,800	99,300	58,200	58,700	55,600
Total Unemployment	129.6	145.2	107.5	7,400	8,800	6,900	5,300	6,300	4,900
Percent Unemployed	**7.1%**	**7.9%**	**5.9%**	**7.2%**	**8.6%**	**6.9%**	**9.1%**	**10.7%**	**8.8%**
Total Employment ++	1,691.9	1,683.3	1,699.8	95,200	94,000	92,400	52,900	52,400	50,700
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			**LUBBOCK**			**MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	83,400	84,400	82,500	119,100	119,400	116,900	163,800	169,300	157,200
Total Unemployment	7,400	8,600	6,700	8,000	9,400	7,500	26,900	29,500	25,000
Percent Unemployed	**8.9%**	**10.2%**	**8.1%**	**6.7%**	**7.9%**	**6.4%**	**16.4%**	**17.4%**	**15.9%**
Total Employment ++	76,000	75,800	75,800	111,100	110,000	109,400	136,900	139,800	132,200
		MIDLAND			**ODESSA**			**SAN ANGELO**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	50,700	51,000	50,400	55,400	56,200	54,500	46,400	46,500	45,000
Total Unemployment	3,800	4,300	2,800	5,700	6,600	3,700	2,600	3,100	2,600
Percent Unemployed	**7.5%**	**8.4%**	**5.6%**	**10.3%**	**11.7%**	**6.8%**	**5.6%**	**6.7%**	**5.8%**
Total Employment ++	46,900	46,700	47,600	49,700	49,600	50,800	43,800	43,400	42,400
		SAN ANTONIO			**SHERMAN-DENISON**			**TEXARKANA**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	628,000	633,900	618,700	47,600	47,400	47,800	59,400	60,200	57,200
Total Unemployment	42,500	48,800	43,300	3,700	3,700	3,100	4,800	5,700	4,400
Percent Unemployed	**6.8%**	**7.7%**	**7.0%**	**7.8%**	**7.8%**	**6.5%**	**8.1%**	**9.5%**	**7.7%**
Total Employment ++	585,500	585,100	575,400	43,900	43,700	44,700	54,600	54,500	52,800
		TYLER			**VICTORIA**			**WACO**	
Total Civilian Labor Force	76,800	77,700	76,200	39,100	39,600	38,500	94,000	95,000	94,100
Total Unemployment	5,200	6,100	5,100	2,400	3,000	2,100	6,800	7,700	7,000
Percent Unemployed	**6.8%**	**7.9%**	**6.7%**	**6.1%**	**7.6%**	**5.5%**	**7.2%**	**8.1%**	**7.4%**
Total Employment ++	71,600	71,600	71,100	36,700	36,600	36,400	87,200	87,300	87,100
		WICHITA FALLS						**STATE OF TEXAS*****	
Total Civilian Labor Force	56,100	56,700	55,600				8,868.2	8,937.6	8,737.6
Total Unemployment	4,200	4,700	3,900				652.3	742.6	595.7
Percent Unemployed	**7.5%**	**8.3%**	**7.0%**				**7.4%**	**8.3%**	**6.8%**
Total Employment ++	51,900	52,000	51,700				8,215.9	8,195.0	8,141.9

✚ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

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Dealers and Service Stations experienced the largest Retail gain, up by 1,000 from June. Seasonal vacation travel and general warm weather auto maintenance created a need for additional workers. Other Retail increases occurred in Apparel and Accessory Stores, up by 400, and in Food Stores, up by 100 over the month.

The largest Nonmanufacturing gain was seen in **Services**, up by 6,800 jobs from one month ago. Health Services showed the largest Services gain, up by 6,200 over the month, brought about partly by the hiring of graduates from nursing schools and the uninterrupted demand for more complete health care facilities. Business and Repair Services increased by 2,500, while Other Services and Miscellaneous rose by 300. Educational Services lost 800 jobs as the usual summer decline in educational staffing occurred. Engineering and Management Services fell by 700; Amusement, Including Motion Pictures lost 300; while Hotels and Other Lodging Places and Personal Services both decreased by 200 from June.

Transportation and Public Utilities increased by 2,100 over the month. The majority of this rise was found in Other Transportation, particularly in Transportation by Air, which rose by 2,000 from June, due to the usual growth in summertime air travel. Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services lost 300 jobs over the month.

July's growth in **Construction** employment was centered in Special Trade Contractors, where 1,800 jobs were added. Due to relatively low interest rates and a spurt of new housing starts, employment in the Construction industry was 3,300 above year-ago totals.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate rose by 400 over the month, found mostly in Other Finance, Insurance and Real Estate. Depository Institutions, Including Banks increased by 100, while Insurance Carriers, Agents and Brokers fell by that same amount.

Mining increased by 300, all of which was found in Oil and Gas Extraction.

Manufacturing rose by 1,000 from June. At 991,500, this was up 300 from June '91. **Nondurable Goods** rose by 1,700 over the month. Printing and Publishing increased by 700. Smaller increases were found in Food and Kindred Products, up by 300; in Paper and Allied Products, Chemicals and Allied Products, and Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastics Products, all up by

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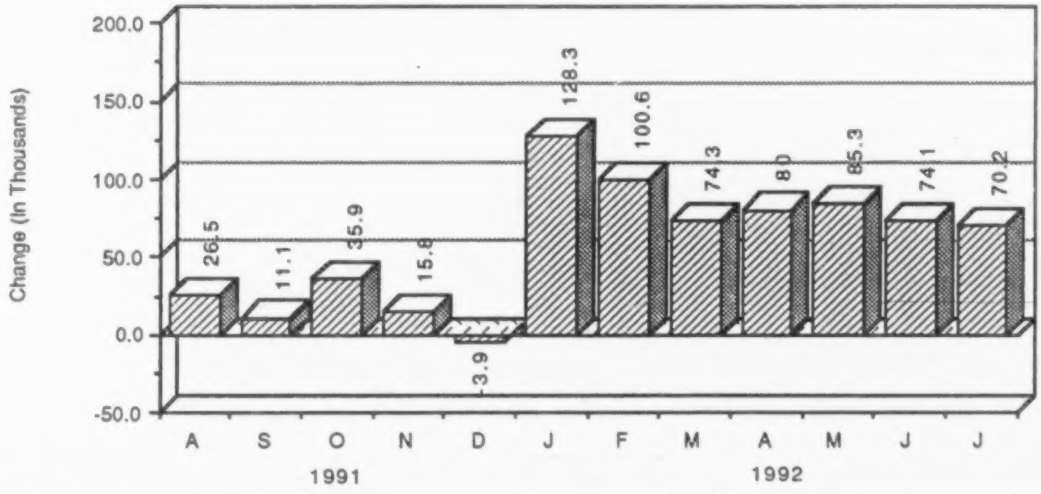
Over-the-Year Net Change in Number of Texas Nonfarm Salaried Jobs Last 12 Months (Aug. '91 - July '92)



TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	July '92*	June '92**	July '91**	Chg. from June '92	Chg. from July '91
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,226,600**	**7,264,400**	**7,156,400**	**-37,800**	**70,200**
MANUFACTURING	**991,500**	**990,500**	**991,200**	**1,000**	**300**
Durable Goods	**556,400**	**557,100**	**564,700**	**-700**	**-8,300**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,900	30,700	30,500	200	400
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,600	6,600	6,800	0	-200
Furniture & Fixtures	16,400	16,600	16,100	-200	300
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	34,900	34,800	34,500	100	400
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,700	14,800	14,800	-100	-100
Primary Metal Industries	30,800	30,900	31,100	-100	-300
Fabricated Metal Industries	81,100	81,100	82,700	0	-1,600
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	39,200	39,100	39,600	100	-400
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	115,300	115,400	118,700	-100	-3,400
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	24,900	25,100	28,900	-200	-4,000
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	102,100	102,000	105,200	100	-3,100
Transportation Equipment	86,600	87,000	88,200	-400	-1,600
Aircraft & Parts	58,500	59,000	60,500	-500	-2,000
Instruments & Related Prod.	40,900	41,000	40,800	-100	100
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	17,400	17,600	16,900	-200	500
Nondurable Goods	**435,100**	**433,400**	**426,500**	**1,700**	**8,600**
Food & Kindred Products	97,700	97,400	96,900	300	800
Meat Products	31,300	31,100	30,000	200	1,300
Dairy Products	4,200	4,300	4,400	-100	-200
Bakery Products	10,200	10,200	10,100	0	100
Malt Beverages	3,200	3,200	3,000	0	200
Textile Mill Products	4,000	4,100	4,000	-100	0
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	59,900	59,800	57,300	100	2,600
Paper & Allied Products	26,100	25,900	25,200	200	900
Printing & Publishing	77,000	76,300	76,000	700	1,000
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	37,300	36,600	36,000	700	1,300
Chemicals & Allied Products	88,300	88,100	87,300	200	1,000
Petroleum & Coal Products	30,600	30,600	30,400	0	200
Petroleum Refining	27,700	27,700	27,400	0	300
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	43,400	43,200	41,800	200	1,600
Leather & Leather Products	8,000	7,900	7,500	100	500
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,235,100**	**6,273,900**	**6,165,200**	**-38,800**	**69,900**
Mining	**174,000**	**173,700**	**188,100**	**300**	**-14,100**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,500	9,500	9,600	0	-100
Oil & Gas Extraction	164,500	164,200	178,500	300	-14,000
Construction	**357,200**	**355,400**	**353,900**	**1,800**	**1,300**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**439,300**	**437,200**	**437,900**	**2,100**	**1,400**
Railroad Transportation	16,900	16,900	17,300	0	-400
Other Transportation	256,000	253,800	250,000	2,200	6,000
Transportation by Air	83,800	81,800	79,600	2,000	4,200
Communications	88,700	88,500	89,900	200	-1,200
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	77,700	78,000	80,700	-300	-3,000
Electric Services	38,400	38,700	40,700	-300	-2,300
Gas Production & Distribution	26,900	26,800	28,300	100	-1,400
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,752,500**	**1,753,000**	**1,744,800**	**-500**	**7,700**
Wholesale Trade	435,500	436,100	438,300	-600	-2,800
Retail Trade	1,317,000	1,316,900	1,306,500	100	10,500
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	41,500	41,900	42,100	-400	-600
General Merchandise Stores	170,300	170,500	173,900	-200	-3,600
Food Stores	244,100	244,000	243,000	100	1,100
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	136,100	135,100	134,400	1,000	1,700
Apparel & Accessory Stores	75,500	75,100	78,800	400	-3,300
Eating & Drinking Places	466,000	466,800	449,600	-800	16,400
Other Retail Trade	183,500	183,500	184,700	0	-1,200
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**432,400**	**432,000**	**430,200**	**400**	**2,200**
Depository Insts., Incl. Banks	119,400	119,300	121,700	100	-2,300
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	145,000	145,100	142,900	-100	2,100
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	168,000	167,600	165,600	400	2,400
Services	**1,840,400**	**1,833,600**	**1,791,100**	**6,800**	**49,300**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	82,700	82,900	85,000	-200	-2,300
Personal Services	81,200	81,400	79,100	-200	2,100
Business & Repair Services	456,100	453,600	455,700	2,500	400
Amusement, Including Motion Pictures	92,800	93,100	94,300	-300	-1,500
Health Services	547,500	541,300	509,400	6,200	38,100
Educational Services	83,300	84,100	81,500	-800	1,800
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	158,200	158,900	155,800	-700	2,400
Other Services & Miscellaneous	338,600	338,300	330,300	300	8,300
Total Government	**1,239,300**	**1,289,000**	**1,219,200**	**-49,700**	**20,100**
Federal Government	200,200	199,900	199,200	300	1,000
State Government	279,800	276,700	269,900	3,100	9,900
Local Government	759,300	812,400	750,100	-53,100	9,200

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	July'92*	June '92**	July'91**	July'92*	June '92**	July'91**	July'92*	June '92**	July'91**	July'92*	June '92**	July'91**
Industry	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
TOTAL	**48,600**	**49,000**	**47,500**	**80,600**	**80,300**	**79,200**	**388,800**	**395,800**	**382,200**	**153,800**	**154,500**	**149,200**
Manufacturing	4,300	4,400	4,200	8,800	8,900	8,400	51,900	51,800	51,700	25,900	25,700	25,600
Mining	1,400	1,300	1,400	700	700	800	800	800	800	2,000	2,000	2,000
Construction	1,800	1,800	1,500	3,000	2,800	3,300	13,600	13,700	13,100	17,400	17,600	16,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,700	2,600	5,800	5,700	5,400	13,300	13,100	12,600	10,000	10,000	9,900
Trade	13,100	13,100	12,700	23,300	23,400	23,300	79,100	79,200	78,800	33,900	33,500	33,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	2,000	2,000	4,300	4,300	4,200	23,300	23,300	23,400	5,100	5,100	5,000
Services & Misc.	14,600	14,600	14,400	19,600	19,500	19,500	103,200	103,800	101,100	36,600	38,500	36,800
Government	8,700	9,100	8,700	15,100	15,000	14,300	103,600	110,100	100,700	20,900	22,100	20,600
	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	**73,000**	**73,900**	**71,500**	**80,700**	**80,600**	**78,500**	**55,400**	**53,500**	**53,300**	**137,100**	**136,800**	**137,100**
Manufacturing	17,500	17,600	17,400	12,100	11,800	11,600	4,200	4,100	3,800	13,100	13,100	12,900
Mining	2,000	2,000	2,200	—	—	—	600	600	600	3,600	3,600	3,900
Construction	12,600	12,800	12,000	2,300	2,300	2,200	1,900	1,900	1,900	11,300	11,200	11,700
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,700	2,800	4,000	3,800	3,600	1,500	1,400	1,400	7,000	6,900	7,100
Trade	13,000	13,200	12,900	22,100	22,200	21,500	11,900	11,600	11,600	32,600	32,400	32,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,900	3,700	3,700	1,800	1,800	1,700	6,000	5,900	6,200
Services & Misc.	11,200	11,400	10,800	19,500	19,400	19,100	11,000	11,000	10,700	33,800	33,900	33,000
Government	12,100	12,300	11,500	16,800	17,400	16,800	22,500	21,100	21,600	29,700	29,800	29,600
	DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	**1,371.8**	**1,380.5**	**1,374.1**	**212,500**	**212,300**	**208,000**	**592,700**	**592,900**	**588,200**	**79,600**	**80,400**	**79,400**
Manufacturing	209.2	209.8	214.9	42,400	41,700	40,600	102,900	103,500	106,900	8,700	8,700	8,700
Mining	18.3	18.2	18.6	—	—	—	4,300	4,400	4,400	700	700	700
Construction	44.7	44.7	46.4	8,200	8,100	7,300	20,900	20,500	22,300	4,300	4,400	4,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	86.2	86.2	84.7	11,000	10,900	10,700	61,300	59,500	57,800	5,500	5,400	5,900
Trade	357.7	359.2	354.1	53,000	53,000	52,400	148,500	147,900	150,000	17,000	17,100	16,900
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	124.9	125.0	128.3	8,100	8,100	8,000	27,500	27,700	28,700	5,500	5,500	5,500
Services & Misc.	371.5	371.6	369.7	45,900	45,900	44,900	150,500	149,800	144,600	15,200	15,000	15,300
Government	159.3	165.8	157.4	43,900	44,600	44,100	76,800	79,600	73,500	22,700	23,600	21,900
	HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	**1,638.6**	**1,642.1**	**1,646.4**	**77,200**	**76,800**	**74,700**	**49,300**	**49,200**	**47,100**	**70,800**	**71,300**	**70,400**
Manufacturing	180.1	180.9	184.0	8,500	8,500	8,300	1,700	1,700	1,800	16,200	16,300	16,200
Mining	67.2	66.5	72.3	—	—	—	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,300	3,400	3,600
Construction	116.3	115.5	115.5	2,600	2,600	2,400	1,600	1,600	1,500	3,800	3,700	3,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	111.1	110.7	116.3	2,700	2,700	2,600	7,500	7,500	7,000	3,500	3,500	3,500
Trade	384.2	384.4	385.0	16,900	16,900	16,600	15,300	15,300	14,600	17,400	17,600	17,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	99.2	99.0	101.6	3,400	3,200	3,300	2,100	2,000	1,900	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	469.5	468.7	467.6	19,400	19,100	19,000	8,400	8,500	7,900	14,900	14,900	14,500
Government	211.0	216.4	204.1	23,700	23,800	22,500	10,800	10,700	10,500	9,100	9,300	8,800
	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	**98,100**	**98,100**	**96,600**	**105,100**	**105,600**	**101,100**	**45,900**	**46,000**	**46,400**	**44,300**	**44,600**	**45,500**
Manufacturing	7,000	7,000	7,100	13,600	13,700	12,800	2,300	2,300	2,300	4,300	4,400	4,600
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	800	9,500	9,500	9,600	4,900	4,900	5,500
Construction	3,800	3,900	3,600	4,500	4,500	4,300	1,500	1,400	1,500	2,800	2,800	2,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,200	5,200	5,200	3,100	3,200	2,900	2,300	2,300	2,500	2,400	2,300	2,300
Trade	27,100	27,000	27,600	32,300	32,200	31,200	11,000	10,900	10,900	12,400	12,300	12,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	4,800	4,800	4,800	3,700	3,700	3,700	2,100	2,100	2,300	1,300	1,300	1,400
Services & Misc.	26,300	26,600	25,500	19,200	19,300	18,400	10,100	10,200	10,200	8,700	8,800	8,900
Government	23,700	23,400	22,600	27,900	28,200	27,000	7,100	7,300	7,100	7,500	7,800	7,500
	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	**38,200**	**38,200**	**37,200**	**531,500**	**536,100**	**523,100**	**36,300**	**36,600**	**37,600**	**47,100**	**47,200**	**46,000**
Manufacturing	5,000	4,900	5,000	46,600	46,800	46,000	9,900	9,900	11,000	6,200	6,100	6,400
Mining	500	500	600	1,800	1,800	1,900	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,100	22,500	22,300	22,700	1,400	1,400	1,600	1,500	1,500	1,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,800	24,000	23,800	22,800	1,800	1,800	1,700	2,200	2,200	2,200
Trade	9,400	9,300	9,100	131,100	130,800	131,800	7,600	7,700	7,800	11,300	11,300	11,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,500	38,600	38,500	38,600	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,800	1,800	1,800
Services & Misc.	10,400	10,500	9,900	152,400	151,300	145,900	9,400	9,400	9,200	12,200	12,300	11,500
Government	7,400	7,500	7,200	114,500	120,800	113,400	4,200	4,400	4,300	11,800	11,900	11,400
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	**64,100**	**64,400**	**63,800**	**30,100**	**30,100**	**30,100**	**81,400**	**82,200**	**81,100**	**49,600**	**50,100**	**49,300**
Manufacturing	11,300	11,300	10,900	2,800	2,800	2,900	14,900	14,700	15,100	7,800	8,000	7,900
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,400	1,400	1,700	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	2,300	2,200	2,300	2,100	2,100	2,100	3,300	3,200	3,200	1,400	1,400	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	3,000	3,000	2,900	1,500	1,500	1,500	3,400	3,400	3,400	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	16,400	16,500	15,900	8,600	8,300	8,400	19,100	19,500	19,200	11,800	11,800	11,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,200	3,200	3,300	1,600	1,600	1,700	5,300	5,400	5,300	2,200	2,200	2,200
Services & Misc.	16,600	16,600	17,000	7,400	7,300	7,000	22,700	22,800	22,100	12,900	12,800	12,500
Government	9,600	9,900	9,800	4,700	5,100	4,800	12,700	13,200	12,800	9,400	9,800	9,600

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* Preliminary — subject to revision. ** Revised. *** In Thousands.

HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✤

FOR TEXAS

	Average	Weekly	Earnings	Average	Weekly	Hours	Average	Hourly	Earnings
	July'92*	June'92	July'91	July'92*	June'92	July'91	July'92*	June'92	July'91
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 471.16	$ 470.98	$ 450.53	42.6	42.7	41.6	$ 11.06	$11.03	$10.83
Durable Goods	456.45	460.75	437.41	42.5	42.9	41.5	10.74	10.74	10.54
Lumber & Wood Products	326.56	323.24	321.53	42.8	42.7	42.7	7.63	7.57	7.53
Furniture & Fixtures	326.21	322.92	315.24	42.2	41.4	41.1	7.73	7.80	7.67
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	439.24	435.16	421.88	44.1	44.0	43.9	9.96	9.89	9.61
Primary Metal Industries	534.45	533.12	491.30	44.5	44.8	42.5	12.01	11.90	11.56
Fabricated Metal Products	431.85	441.81	417.08	42.8	43.7	42.3	10.09	10.11	9.86
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	444.79	453.53	448.12	42.2	43.4	42.8	10.54	10.45	10.47
Oil Field Machinery	555.07	559.52	563.86	47.0	47.7	48.4	11.81	11.73	11.65
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	466.05	463.97	426.74	42.1	41.5	38.0	11.07	11.18	11.23
Transportation Equipment	621.78	627.07	574.70	42.5	42.6	40.5	14.63	14.72	14.19
Instruments & Related Prod.	434.43	442.68	407.84	41.1	42.2	40.5	10.57	10.49	10.07
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	312.43	320.76	313.20	39.8	40.5	40.0	7.85	7.92	7.83
Nondurable Goods	487.63	482.51	466.62	42.7	42.4	41.7	11.42	11.38	11.19
Food & Kindred Products	393.98	388.45	383.96	43.2	42.5	42.9	9.12	9.14	8.95
Meat Products	297.22	297.51	291.81	42.4	42.2	42.6	7.01	7.05	6.85
Malt Beverages	959.74	904.90	947.76	47.0	45.2	46.3	20.42	20.02	20.47
Textile Mill Products	385.61	379.01	359.10	45.1	44.8	43.9	8.55	8.46	8.18
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	246.52	246.63	227.91	38.7	38.9	36.7	6.37	6.34	6.21
Paper & Allied Products	532.97	533.11	511.13	44.6	44.5	43.5	11.95	11.98	11.75
Printing & Publishing	457.25	438.98	429.07	40.5	39.3	39.4	11.29	11.17	10.89
Chemicals & Allied Products	778.96	770.21	755.88	45.5	45.2	44.7	17.12	17.04	16.91
Petroleum & Coal Products	852.09	858.19	797.89	45.3	45.6	44.6	18.81	18.82	17.89
Petroleum Refining	884.39	890.69	825.92	45.4	45.7	44.5	19.48	19.49	18.56
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	417.94	417.94	401.10	43.4	43.4	42.4	9.63	9.63	9.46
Leather & Leather Products	264.94	281.57	266.63	39.9	41.9	39.5	6.64	6.72	6.75
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	654.69	661.52	628.40	43.1	42.9	43.1	15.19	15.42	14.58
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	695.52	670.08	632.10	50.4	48.0	49.0	13.80	13.96	12.90
Oil & Gas Extraction	651.78	660.03	627.26	42.6	42.5	42.7	15.30	15.53	14.69
Communications	578.85	581.92	547.56	42.5	42.6	40.5	13.62	13.66	13.52
Elec., Gas & San. Services	582.69	565.13	560.03	41.8	41.1	41.7	13.94	13.75	13.43
Wholesale & Retail Trade	263.19	261.16	254.65	33.4	33.1	32.9	7.88	7.89	7.74
Wholesale Trade	449.67	451.60	435.41	39.9	40.0	39.8	11.27	11.29	10.94
Retail Trade	207.24	203.98	199.28	31.4	31.0	30.8	6.60	6.58	6.47
General Merchandise Stores	202.43	200.12	204.41	31.0	30.6	31.4	6.53	6.54	6.51
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	325.31	324.12	315.81	36.8	36.5	36.3	8.84	8.88	8.70

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FOR SELECTED
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DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 448.38	$ 454.54	$ 433.95	42.3	42.8	40.9	$ 10.60	$ 10.62	$ 10.61
Durable Goods	461.59	476.33	445.38	42.7	43.7	40.6	10.81	10.90	10.97
Nondurable Goods	427.84	418.78	415.66	41.7	41.3	41.4	10.26	10.14	10.04
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	499.09	493.16	475.86	41.8	41.2	41.2	11.94	11.97	11.55
Durable Goods	525.00	514.57	491.59	42.0	41.1	41.0	12.50	12.52	11.99
Nondurable Goods	448.78	450.85	445.36	41.4	41.4	41.7	10.84	10.89	10.68
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	583.44	575.95	554.56	44.1	44.1	44.4	13.23	13.06	12.49
Durable Goods	489.07	490.18	482.13	44.3	44.4	44.6	11.04	11.04	10.81
Nondurable Goods	701.96	684.59	654.72	43.9	43.8	44.0	15.99	15.63	14.88
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	334.94	342.76	329.22	41.3	41.8	40.1	8.11	8.20	8.21
Durable Goods	337.42	347.36	338.65	41.3	41.5	40.9	8.17	8.37	8.28
Nondurable Goods	332.05	337.68	319.90	41.3	42.0	39.3	8.04	8.04	8.14

✤Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

200. Increases of 100 each were found in Apparel and Other Finished Textile Products and in Leather and Leather Products. Textile Mill Products fell by 100 over the month. No change was reported in Petroleum and Coal Products.

Durable Goods lost 700 jobs from one month ago. Transportation Equipment dropped by 400 from June, concentrated in Aircraft and Parts. Decreases of 200 each were found in Furniture and Fixtures and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries. Smaller losses of 100 each were found in Primary Metal Industries, Industrial Machinery and Equipment and in Instruments and Related Products. Both Fabricated Metal Industries and Transportation Equipment were down 1,600 from one year ago.

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Average Weekly Earnings Increase

For the estimated 654,200 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings increased by three cents over the month and Average Weekly Hours were down by one-tenth of an hour, causing Average Weekly Earnings to increase by eighteen cents from June '92. This was $20.63 above the July '91 level.

In mid-July a worker, on average, was earning $11.06 per hour for a 42.6-hour work week and making $471.16 in average weekly earnings.

Durable Goods reported a loss of $4.30 in Average Weekly Earnings over the month. The largest loss in Durables was reported in Fabricated Metal Products which was down by $9.96 from June '92. Losses of over $8.00 were found in Industrial Machinery, Except Electric, Instruments and Related Products, and in Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries. Transportation Equipment was down by $5.29 in Average Weekly Earnings from one month ago. The largest increase in Durables was seen in Stone, Clay and Glass Products, up by $4.08 over the month. Increases of over $3.00 were found in Lumber and Wood Products and Furniture and Fixtures. Primary Metal Industries rose by $1.33 in Average Weekly Earnings from June '92.

Nondurable Goods increased by $5.12 in Average Weekly Earnings over the month. The largest increase occurred in Malt Beverages (part of Food and Kindred Products), up by $54.84, as brewers scheduled longer work weeks in July. Printing and Publishing increased by $18.27, while Textile Mill Products went up by $6.60 over the month.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	July'92	July'91
Total Population	17,711,400*	17,349,000*
% UI Covered Unemployment	2.1	1.9
UI Covered Employers	330,463	320,572
Total Claims Actions	793,103	713,919
Total Initial Claims Actions	82,870	72,569
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	710,233	641,350
Total Placements	not available	39,152
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$170.31	$165.34
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	101,015,126	85,666,055

*Revised.
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LITTLE CHANGE IN NONFARM JOBS

Unemployment Rate Declines

Unemployment in Texas dropped over the month as the actual (not seasonally adjusted) jobless rate declined from 7.4 percent in July to 6.7 percent in August. The current rate was only slightly above the August 1991 rate of 6.3 percent. The largest part of the monthly decrease was due to the continued withdrawal from the labor force of unsuccessful summer jobseekers. There were an estimated 586,800 jobless Texans in August, down over 65,000 from the July total. Total employment also dropped moderately over the month, to an estimated 8,178,000 in mid-August.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate dropped from 7.2 percent in July to 6.9 percent in August. The year-ago rate was 6.6 percent. The U. S. seasonally adjusted rate fell from 7.7 percent in July to 7.6 percent in August. In August '91 the rate was 6.8 percent. The U. S. actual rate dropped from 7.6 percent to 7.3 percent over the month. A year ago the rate was 6.5 percent.

Nonfarm Jobs Ease Downward

There was little change between July and August in the number of Nonfarm Salaried Jobs in Texas. **Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment** totaled 7,240,400 in August, down by 400 from July and up by 86,800 from one year ago.

Total **Nonmanufacturing** fell by 2,700 from July. At 6,248,000, this was an increase of 85,000 from August '91. **Services** reported the largest Nonmanufacturing decrease, down by 4,300 jobs over the month. Other Services and Miscellaneous fell by that same amount as summer activities came to a close and social services such as YMCA's, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts lost seasonal positions. Amusement, Including Motion Pictures decreased by 1,000 as summer activities waned. Engineering and Management Services lost 600 jobs, while Educational Services was down by 400, and Hotels and Other Lodging Places decreased by 100 over the month. The largest Services

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	Aug.'92	July '92	Aug.'91
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	128,472.0	129,599.0	126,096.0
Unemployment	9,390.0	9,845.0	8,237.0
Percent Unemployed	7.3%	7.6%	6.5%
Total Employment	119,082.0	119,754.0	117,859.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	127,437.0	127,532.0	125,004.0
Unemployment	9,700.0	9,760.0	8,520.0
Percent Unemployed	7.6%	7.7%	6.8%
Total Employment	117,737.0	117,772.0	116,484.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,764.8	8,868.2	8,545.2
Unemployment	586.8	652.3	540.7
Percent Unemployed	6.7%	7.4%	6.3%
Total Employment	8,178.0	8,215.9	8,004.5
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,734.0	8,727.0	8,500.0
Unemployment	606.0	624.0	559.0
Percent Unemployed	6.9%	7.2%	6.6%
Total Employment	8,128.0	8,103.0	7,941.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Aug.'92*	July'92**	Aug.'91**	Aug.'92*	July'92**	Aug.'91**	Aug.'92*	July'92**	Aug.'91**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	51,600	52,000	49,100	99,200	100,500	96,700	455,700	458,300	443,400
Total Unemployment	3,100	3,400	2,700	4,600	5,200	4,600	20,400	22,600	21,200
Percent Unemployed	**6.0%**	**6.5%**	**5.5%**	**4.6%**	**5.2%**	**4.8%**	**4.5%**	**4.9%**	**4.8%**
Total Employment ↔	48,500	48,600	46,400	94,600	95,300	92,100	435,300	435,700	422,200
		BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	181,100	183,700	172,500	97,400	98,800	93,400	114,900	115,700	110,400
Total Unemployment	14,400	16,100	13,200	6,700	7,300	5,100	12,200	14,300	13,000
Percent Unemployed	**8.0%**	**8.8%**	**7.7%**	**6.9%**	**7.4%**	**5.5%**	**10.6%**	**12.4%**	**11.8%**
Total Employment ↔	166,700	167,600	159,300	90,700	91,500	88,300	102,700	101,400	97,400
		BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	63,800	64,100	60,500	171,800	173,600	167,500	1,457.2	1,472.7	1,439.1
Total Unemployment	2,300	2,500	2,000	15,000	16,500	12,900	90.7	100.2	84.3
Percent Unemployed	**3.6%**	**3.9%**	**3.3%**	**8.7%**	**9.5%**	**7.7%**	**6.2%**	**6.8%**	**5.9%**
Total Employment ↔	61,500	61,600	58,500	156,800	157,100	154,600	1,366.5	1,372.5	1,354.8
		EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY	
Total Civilian Labor Force	258,200	260,700	249,700	748,100	758,500	740,600	117,600	119,500	113,900
Total Unemployment	24,400	27,800	25,500	45,600	50,700	48,000	9,600	10,500	7,600
Percent Unemployed	**9.5%**	**10.7%**	**10.2%**	**6.1%**	**6.7%**	**6.5%**	**8.2%**	**8.8%**	**6.7%**
Total Employment ↔	233,800	232,900	224,200	702,500	707,800	692,600	108,000	109,000	106,300
		HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,803.1	1,826.4	1,763.0	101,400	102,700	97,500	57,500	58,600	53,800
Total Unemployment	118.8	129.3	98.4	6,700	7,600	6,300	4,700	5,400	4,200
Percent Unemployed	**6.6%**	**7.1%**	**5.6%**	**6.6%**	**7.4%**	**6.5%**	**8.2%**	**9.2%**	**7.8%**
Total Employment ↔	1,684.3	1,697.1	1,664.6	94,700	95,100	91,200	52,800	53,200	49,600
		LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION	
Total Civilian Labor Force	82,800	83,800	80,100	116,600	118,600	114,300	160,900	163,200	154,100
Total Unemployment	7,100	7,400	6,100	6,900	8,000	6,600	24,800	27,400	23,300
Percent Unemployed	**8.6%**	**8.8%**	**7.6%**	**5.9%**	**6.7%**	**5.8%**	**15.4%**	**16.8%**	**15.1%**
Total Employment ↔	75,700	76,400	74,000	109,700	110,600	107,700	136,100	135,800	130,800
		MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	50,200	51,000	49,600	54,500	55,200	53,500	45,900	46,600	43,800
Total Unemployment	3,500	3,800	2,800	5,200	5,700	3,600	2,400	2,600	2,300
Percent Unemployed	**7.0%**	**7.5%**	**5.6%**	**9.5%**	**10.3%**	**6.7%**	**5.2%**	**5.6%**	**5.3%**
Total Employment ↔	46,700	47,200	46,800	49,300	49,500	49,900	43,500	44,000	41,500
		SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA	
Total Civilian Labor Force	616,400	625,600	603,400	46,500	47,500	46,400	58,600	59,400	57,000
Total Unemployment	36,700	42,100	38,100	3,000	3,700	2,900	4,500	5,000	4,400
Percent Unemployed	**6.0%**	**6.7%**	**6.3%**	**6.5%**	**7.8%**	**6.3%**	**7.7%**	**8.4%**	**7.7%**
Total Employment ↔	579,700	583,500	565,300	43,500	43,800	43,500	54,100	54,400	52,600
		TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO	
Total Civilian Labor Force	76,700	77,200	74,300	39,200	39,300	37,600	93,200	94,500	91,100
Total Unemployment	5,000	5,200	4,600	2,200	2,400	1,800	6,000	6,800	5,900
Percent Unemployed	**6.5%**	**6.7%**	**6.2%**	**5.6%**	**6.1%**	**4.8%**	**6.4%**	**7.2%**	**6.5%**
Total Employment ↔	71,700	72,000	69,700	37,000	36,900	35,800	87,200	87,700	85,200
		WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***	
Total Civilian Labor Force	55,000	56,000	54,500				8,764.8	8,868.2	8,545.2
Total Unemployment	3,600	4,300	3,600				586.8	652.3	540.7
Percent Unemployed	**6.5%**	**7.7%**	**6.6%**				**6.7%**	**7.4%**	**6.3%**
Total Employment ↔	51,400	51,700	50,900				8,178.0	8,215.9	8,004.5

✚ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ↔ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

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increase was in Health Services, up by 900 from July. Business and Repair Services increased by 700, while Personal Services went up by 500 over the month.

The laying off of summer employees by city and county governments, combined with the small decline of state government education, contributed to the overall 1,900 decline in total **Government**. Local Government decreased by 1,300. Federal Government lost 500; while State Government declined by 100 from July.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate dropped by 300 over the month. A gain of 400 in Other Finance, Insurance and Real Estate was more than offset by losses of 500 in Depository Institutions, Including Banks, and of 200 in Insurance Carriers, Agents and Brokers.

Transportation and Public Utilities increased by 1,700 from one month ago. The largest Transportation increase was in Other Transportation, up by 2,000. The major contributing factors were the ticket price wars and seasonal summertime air travel that caused Transportation by Air to increase by 1,000. Communications increased by 200 over the month. The main loss in Transportation occurred in Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services, down by 500 from July.

Wholesale and Retail Trade rose by 1,600. Retail Trade increased by 3,300 over the month. Gains of 1,300 each were found in both Eating and Drinking Places and in Other Retail Trade, while General Merchandise Stores went up by 1,100. Increases of 100 each occurred in Food Stores and in Automotive Dealers and Service Stations. Retail losses of 300 each were seen in Building Materials and Garden Supplies and Apparel and Accessory Stores. Wholesale Trade lost 1,700 jobs from July.

Mining gained 100 jobs, which was found in Oil and Gas Extraction.

Manufacturing increased by 2,300 from July. **Nondurable Goods** showed a gain of 2,100 jobs. Food and Kindred Products registered an over-the-month increase in employment amounting to 1,300 jobs. The most significant growth occurred in Preserved Fruits and Vegetables where additional employees were hired with the arrival of the season for canning peppers and other produce. Chemicals and Allied Products gained 500 jobs while Apparel and Other Finished Textile Products increased by 300. Increases of 100 each were found in Textile Mill Products, Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastics Products, and Leather and Leather Products. The only loss in

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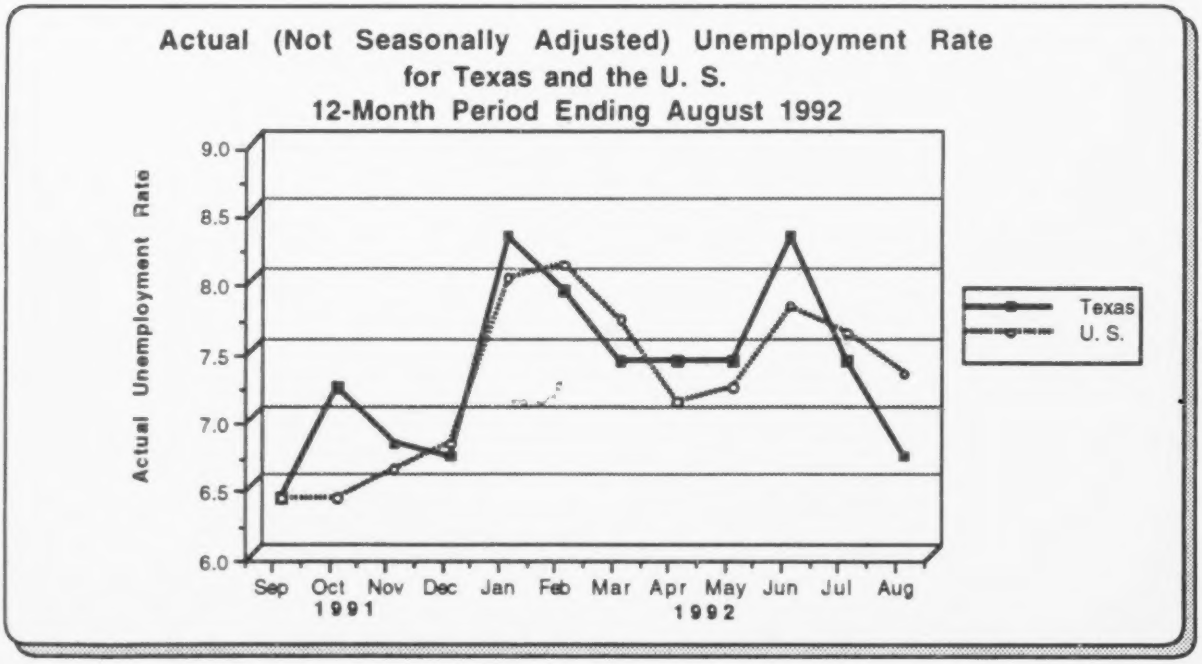

Actual (Not Seasonally Adjusted) Unemployment Rate
for Texas and the U. S.
12-Month Period Ending August 1992

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ✚

	Aug. '92*	July '92**	Aug. '91**	Chg. from July '92	Chg. from Aug. '91
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,240,400**	**7,240,800**	**7,153,600**	**-400**	**86,800**
MANUFACTURING	**992,400**	**990,100**	**990,600**	**2,300**	**1,800**
Durable Goods	**555,400**	**555,200**	**563,100**	**200**	**-7,700**
Lumber & Wood Products	31,000	30,800	30,600	200	400
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,700	6,600	6,900	100	-200
Furniture & Fixtures	16,400	16,200	16,000	200	400
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	34,900	34,900	34,500	0	400
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,700	14,800	14,900	-100	-200
Primary Metal Industries	30,900	30,800	31,100	100	-200
Fabricated Metal Industries	81,200	80,800	82,700	400	-1,500
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	39,600	39,200	39,600	400	0
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	115,300	115,100	118,100	200	-2,800
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	24,800	24,900	28,600	-100	-3,800
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	101,900	102,000	104,300	-100	-2,400
Transportation Equipment	85,400	86,200	88,000	-800	-2,600
Aircraft & Parts	57,700	58,200	60,200	-500	-2,500
Instruments & Related Prod.	40,900	40,900	40,800	0	100
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	17,500	17,500	17,000	0	500
Nondurable Goods	**437,000**	**434,900**	**427,500**	**2,100**	**9,500**
Food & Kindred Products	98,800	97,500	97,600	1,300	1,200
Meat Products	31,500	31,300	30,000	200	1,500
Dairy Products	4,100	4,100	4,300	0	-200
Bakery Products	10,300	10,200	10,200	100	100
Malt Beverages	3,200	3,200	3,100	0	100
Textile Mill Products	4,100	4,000	4,000	100	100
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	60,300	60,000	57,800	300	2,500
Paper & Allied Products	26,300	26,300	25,400	0	900
Printing & Publishing	76,700	77,000	75,500	-300	1,200
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	36,900	37,300	35,500	-400	1,400
Chemicals & Allied Products	88,600	88,100	87,300	500	1,300
Petroleum & Coal Products	30,600	30,600	30,500	0	100
Petroleum Refining	27,700	27,700	27,600	0	100
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	43,500	43,400	41,700	100	1,800
Leather & Leather Products	8,000	7,900	7,600	100	400
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,248,000**	**6,250,700**	**6,163,000**	**-2,700**	**85,000**
Mining	**173,800**	**173,700**	**186,000**	**100**	**-12,200**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,500	9,500	9,600	0	-100
Oil & Gas Extraction	164,300	164,200	176,400	100	-12,100
Construction	**358,700**	**358,300**	**353,300**	**400**	**5,400**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**441,500**	**439,800**	**439,300**	**1,700**	**2,200**
Railroad Transportation	16,900	16,900	17,300	0	-400
Other Transportation	258,500	256,500	251,300	2,000	7,200
Transportation by Air	84,800	83,800	80,300	1,000	4,500
Communications	88,900	88,700	90,000	200	-1,100
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	77,200	77,700	80,700	-500	-3,500
Electric Services	37,900	38,300	40,600	-400	-2,700
Gas Production & Distribution	26,800	27,000	28,300	-200	-1,500
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,754,000**	**1,752,400**	**1,745,600**	**1,600**	**8,400**
Wholesale Trade	433,500	435,200	437,000	-1,700	-3,500
Retail Trade	1,320,500	1,317,200	1,308,600	3,300	11,900
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	40,900	41,200	41,500	-300	-600
General Merchandise Stores	171,200	170,100	175,800	1,100	-4,600
Food Stores	244,000	243,900	242,400	100	1,600
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	136,100	136,000	135,000	100	1,100
Apparel & Accessory Stores	75,300	75,600	79,300	-300	-4,000
Eating & Drinking Places	468,500	467,200	449,200	1,300	19,300
Other Retail Trade	184,500	183,200	185,400	1,300	-900
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**432,200**	**432,500**	**429,600**	**-300**	**2,600**
Depository Insts., Incl. Banks	118,900	119,400	121,200	-500	-2,300
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	144,800	145,000	143,000	-200	1,800
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	168,500	168,100	165,400	400	3,100
Services	**1,835,000**	**1,839,300**	**1,790,500**	**-4,300**	**44,500**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	82,500	82,600	84,400	-100	-1,900
Personal Services	81,800	81,300	79,200	500	2,600
Business & Repair Services	456,500	455,800	457,000	700	-500
Amusement, Including Motion Pictures	92,000	93,000	93,700	-1,000	-1,700
Health Services	548,000	547,100	511,600	900	36,400
Educational Services	82,700	83,100	82,300	-400	400
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	157,600	158,200	155,000	-600	2,600
Other Services & Miscellaneous	333,900	338,200	327,300	-4,300	6,600
Total Government	**1,252,800**	**1,254,700**	**1,218,700**	**-1,900**	**34,100**
Federal Government	199,700	200,200	199,400	-500	300
State Government	280,000	280,100	267,900	-100	12,100
Local Government	773,100	774,400	751,400	-1,300	21,700

✚ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	Aug.'92*	July '92**	Aug.'91**	Aug.'92*	July '92**	Aug.'91**	Aug.'92*	July '92**	Aug.'91**	Aug.'92*	July '92**	Aug.'91**
Industry	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
TOTAL	**48,800**	**48,600**	**47,300**	**80,300**	**80,600**	**79,300**	**389,600**	**388,300**	**382,600**	**153,900**	**153,700**	**149,900**
Manufacturing	4,400	4,300	4,200	8,800	8,800	8,600	52,100	51,800	51,600	25,900	25,900	25,900
Mining	1,400	1,400	1,400	700	700	800	700	800	700	1,900	2,000	2,000
Construction	1,800	1,800	1,500	2,900	3,000	3,200	14,000	13,700	12,900	17,600	17,400	16,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,800	2,600	5,800	5,800	5,400	13,100	13,200	12,700	10,000	10,000	9,800
Trade	13,000	13,000	12,700	23,200	23,400	23,200	79,500	79,300	78,900	33,900	33,800	33,200
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	2,000	2,000	4,200	4,300	4,200	23,300	23,300	23,200	5,100	5,100	5,100
Services & Misc.	14,600	14,600	14,300	19,800	19,600	19,500	103,400	103,200	101,200	38,700	38,600	36,900
Government	9,000	8,700	8,600	14,900	15,000	14,400	103,500	103,000	101,400	20,800	20,900	20,400
	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	**72,900**	**73,000**	**71,900**	**81,400**	**80,700**	**79,200**	**55,100**	**55,200**	**53,000**	**136,900**	**137,100**	**136,100**
Manufacturing	17,600	17,500	17,500	12,100	12,000	11,800	4,100	4,200	3,800	13,100	13,100	12,700
Mining	2,100	2,000	2,200	—	—	—	600	600	600	3,600	3,600	3,900
Construction	12,100	12,600	12,200	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,000	1,900	1,900	11,300	11,300	11,700
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,700	2,800	3,800	4,000	3,600	1,500	1,500	1,400	6,900	7,000	6,900
Trade	13,200	13,000	12,800	22,200	22,200	21,500	12,500	11,900	11,600	32,400	32,500	32,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,800	3,900	3,800	1,800	1,800	1,700	6,000	5,900	6,200
Services & Misc.	11,300	11,200	10,900	20,200	19,500	19,200	11,000	11,100	10,700	33,800	33,900	32,700
Government	12,000	12,100	11,600	17,000	16,800	17,000	21,600	22,200	21,300	29,800	29,800	29,400
	DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	**1,372.9**	**1,372.4**	**1,373.7**	**214,700**	**212,700**	**208,700**	**590,500**	**593,100**	**587,700**	**79,600**	**79,900**	**79,200**
Manufacturing	209.5	209.6	214.0	43,900	42,500	41,100	102,200	102,700	106,400	8,700	8,700	8,800
Mining	18.2	18.3	18.5	—	—	—	4,400	4,300	4,500	700	700	700
Construction	45.2	44.9	46.3	8,100	8,200	7,500	20,700	21,200	21,900	4,400	4,400	4,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	86.4	86.4	84.8	11,100	11,000	10,700	61,700	61,200	58,300	5,400	5,600	5,800
Trade	357.1	357.6	355.0	53,000	53,000	52,800	148,100	148,800	150,600	17,000	17,000	16,900
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	124.3	124.7	127.7	8,000	8,100	8,000	27,500	27,600	28,600	5,600	5,500	5,500
Services & Misc.	372.8	371.9	370.0	46,200	46,000	45,300	149,400	150,500	144,300	15,100	15,200	15,300
Government	159.4	159.0	157.4	44,400	43,900	43,300	76,500	76,800	73,100	22,700	22,800	21,600
	HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	**1,633.7**	**1,638.8**	**1,641.9**	**76,700**	**76,500**	**75,100**	**49,500**	**49,400**	**47,400**	**70,700**	**70,900**	**70,100**
Manufacturing	179.6	180.1	184.5	8,300	8,500	8,300	1,700	1,700	1,900	16,200	16,300	16,200
Mining	67.0	67.5	72.0	—	—	—	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,300	3,300	3,600
Construction	116.4	116.3	116.0	2,800	2,600	2,500	1,600	1,600	1,500	3,900	3,900	3,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	110.3	110.2	116.5	2,700	2,700	2,600	7,500	7,500	7,100	3,500	3,500	3,500
Trade	383.3	384.4	383.9	17,000	16,800	16,900	15,400	15,300	14,600	17,400	17,400	17,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	99.2	99.1	101.1	3,400	3,300	3,300	2,100	2,100	1,900	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	467.8	469.8	465.7	19,400	19,400	18,800	8,400	8,500	8,100	14,900	14,900	14,500
Government	210.1	211.4	202.2	23,100	23,200	22,700	10,900	10,800	10,400	8,900	9,000	8,500
	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	**97,300**	**98,000**	**96,600**	**105,400**	**104,400**	**101,600**	**45,800**	**45,700**	**46,700**	**44,500**	**44,300**	**45,500**
Manufacturing	6,900	7,000	7,000	13,300	13,600	12,800	2,200	2,300	2,400	4,500	4,300	4,500
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	900	9,400	9,400	9,600	5,000	5,000	5,400
Construction	3,700	3,800	3,800	4,400	4,300	4,300	1,400	1,400	1,500	2,800	2,800	2,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,000	5,200	5,100	3,200	3,200	2,900	2,300	2,300	2,500	2,300	2,300	2,300
Trade	27,000	27,000	27,300	32,900	32,200	31,700	11,200	11,000	11,000	12,300	12,400	12,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	4,800	4,800	5,000	3,700	3,700	3,700	2,100	2,100	2,200	1,300	1,300	1,400
Services & Misc.	26,100	26,300	25,500	19,200	19,100	18,400	10,100	10,100	10,400	8,700	8,700	8,800
Government	23,600	23,700	22,700	27,900	27,500	26,900	7,100	7,100	7,100	7,600	7,500	7,700
	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	**38,100**	**38,200**	**37,400**	**530,700**	**531,400**	**522,100**	**36,400**	**36,200**	**36,900**	**47,000**	**47,000**	**46,200**
Manufacturing	5,300	5,000	5,000	46,700	46,500	46,400	9,900	9,800	10,600	6,300	6,200	6,400
Mining	600	500	600	1,800	1,800	1,900	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,100	22,500	22,500	22,500	1,400	1,400	1,600	1,500	1,500	1,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,800	23,900	23,900	23,100	1,800	1,800	1,700	2,200	2,200	2,200
Trade	9,400	9,400	9,300	131,700	131,300	132,100	7,700	7,600	7,700	11,200	11,200	11,100
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,500	38,500	38,600	38,600	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,800	1,800	1,800
Services & Misc.	10,000	10,500	9,900	151,700	152,400	144,700	9,400	9,400	9,100	12,300	12,400	11,600
Government	7,300	7,300	7,200	113,900	114,400	112,800	4,200	4,200	4,200	11,600	11,600	11,500
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	**64,100**	**63,900**	**63,600**	**30,300**	**30,100**	**30,000**	**81,300**	**81,600**	**80,600**	**49,700**	**49,500**	**49,600**
Manufacturing	11,300	11,400	10,900	2,800	2,800	2,900	14,700	14,900	15,100	8,000	7,800	7,900
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,400	1,400	1,700	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	2,300	2,200	2,300	2,200	2,100	2,000	3,300	3,300	3,200	1,500	1,400	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	3,000	3,000	2,900	1,500	1,500	1,500	3,400	3,400	3,300	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	16,500	16,400	15,800	8,700	8,500	8,400	19,300	19,300	19,200	11,800	11,800	11,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,200	3,200	3,300	1,600	1,600	1,700	5,200	5,300	5,200	2,200	2,200	2,200
Services & Misc.	16,600	16,500	17,000	7,300	7,400	7,100	22,700	22,700	21,900	12,800	12,800	12,700
Government	9,500	9,500	9,700	4,800	4,800	4,700	12,700	12,700	12,700	9,300	9,400	9,600

✚ Estimates prepared by TEC in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics. U. S. Department of Labor.

* Preliminary — subject to revision. ** Revised. *** In Thousands.

HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✤

	Average	Weekly	Earnings	Average	Weekly	Hours	Average	Hourly	Earnings
	Aug.'92*	July'92	Aug.'91	Aug.'92*	July'92	Aug.'91	Aug.'92*	July'92	Aug.'91
				FOR TEXAS					
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 471.23	$ 469.63	$ 458.11	42.8	42.5	42.3	$ 11.01	$11.05	$10.83
Durable Goods	457.53	456.03	450.93	42.8	42.5	42.5	10.69	10.73	10.61
Lumber & Wood Products	330.38	319.35	323.85	43.3	41.8	42.5	7.63	7.64	7.62
Furniture & Fixtures	336.26	326.70	340.26	43.5	42.1	43.4	7.73	7.76	7.84
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	436.80	443.56	417.60	44.3	44.4	43.5	9.86	9.99	9.60
Primary Metal Industries	519.17	531.85	504.74	43.3	44.1	43.7	11.99	12.06	11.55
Fabricated Metal Products	439.19	435.16	426.82	43.1	43.0	43.2	10.19	10.12	9.88
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	449.10	446.47	449.28	43.1	42.4	43.2	10.42	10.53	10.40
Oil Field Machinery	549.17	556.48	556.71	46.5	47.0	48.2	11.81	11.84	11.55
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	465.47	457.71	458.05	42.2	41.8	39.9	11.03	10.95	11.48
Transportation Equipment	611.32	620.93	610.30	41.7	42.5	42.5	14.66	14.61	14.36
Instruments & Related Prod.	438.05	432.55	421.04	41.6	41.0	41.4	10.53	10.55	10.17
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	327.44	310.06	326.61	41.5	39.7	41.5	7.89	7.81	7.87
Nondurable Goods	487.49	486.92	465.78	42.8	42.6	42.0	11.39	11.43	11.09
Food & Kindred Products	394.85	392.21	385.75	43.2	43.1	43.1	9.14	9.10	8.95
Meat Products	297.37	297.50	300.24	42.3	42.5	43.2	7.03	7.00	6.95
Malt Beverages	989.24	959.74	997.48	47.4	47.0	49.7	20.87	20.42	20.07
Textile Mill Products	381.40	387.41	370.63	44.4	45.1	44.6	8.59	8.59	8.31
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	254.72	247.93	230.14	39.8	38.8	37.0	6.40	6.39	6.22
Paper & Allied Products	530.08	533.42	526.11	44.1	44.6	44.1	12.02	11.96	11.93
Printing & Publishing	461.70	456.92	440.88	40.5	40.4	40.3	11.40	11.31	10.94
Chemicals & Allied Products	767.79	779.06	732.60	44.9	45.4	44.0	17.10	17.16	16.65
Petroleum & Coal Products	845.92	849.60	774.40	44.9	45.0	43.9	18.84	18.88	17.64
Petroleum Refining	876.00	880.20	799.27	44.9	45.0	43.7	19.51	19.56	18.29
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	421.52	413.13	409.70	44.0	42.9	43.4	9.58	9.63	9.44
Leather & Leather Products	276.98	276.98	271.60	40.2	40.2	40.0	6.89	6.89	6.79
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	680.15	652.97	654.90	44.6	43.1	44.4	15.25	15.15	14.75
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	703.47	673.35	613.83	50.5	48.9	47.4	13.93	13.77	12.95
Oil & Gas Extraction	678.91	651.60	657.25	44.2	42.7	44.2	15.36	15.26	14.87
Communications	573.40	572.23	551.86	42.1	42.2	40.4	13.62	13.56	13.66
Elec., Gas & San. Services	581.44	573.66	559.02	41.8	41.3	42.0	13.91	13.89	13.31
Wholesale & Retail Trade	265.44	263.19	254.32	33.6	33.4	32.9	7.90	7.88	7.73
Wholesale Trade	457.73	452.00	437.80	40.4	40.0	39.8	11.33	11.30	11.00
Retail Trade	208.88	207.59	197.40	31.6	31.5	30.7	6.61	6.59	6.43
General Merchandise Stores	202.43	203.39	198.59	31.0	31.1	30.6	6.53	6.54	6.49
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	351.95	323.18	316.54	39.5	36.6	36.3	8.91	8.83	8.72

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 459.61	$ 452.84	$ 443.08	43.4	42.6	41.8	$ 10.59	$ 10.63	$ 10.60
Durable Goods	471.68	463.32	458.28	44.0	42.9	41.7	10.72	10.80	10.99
Nondurable Goods	439.69	436.77	419.74	42.4	42.2	42.1	10.37	10.35	9.97
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	497.95	498.37	493.74	41.6	41.6	42.2	11.97	11.98	11.70
Durable Goods	513.35	520.42	516.15	41.2	41.6	42.1	12.46	12.51	12.26
Nondurable Goods	466.31	454.43	446.90	42.2	41.5	42.2	11.05	10.95	10.59
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	581.64	584.32	549.41	44.4	44.2	44.2	13.10	13.22	12.43
Durable Goods	493.06	490.62	476.41	44.5	44.4	44.4	11.08	11.05	10.73
Nondurable Goods	690.85	699.77	651.92	44.2	43.9	43.9	15.63	15.94	14.85
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	337.01	335.36	333.30	41.3	41.3	40.4	8.16	8.12	8.25
Durable Goods	344.44	339.08	344.44	41.7	41.2	41.3	8.26	8.23	8.34
Nondurable Goods	330.46	331.61	323.14	41.0	41.4	39.6	8.06	8.01	8.16

✤Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Nondurables occurred in Printing and Publishing, down by 300 over the month.

Durable Goods registered an increase of 200 jobs. Fabricated Metal Industries rose by 400. Increases of 200 each occurred in Lumber and Wood Products, Furniture and Fixtures, and Industrial Machinery and Equipment. Primary Metal Industries rose by 100. The largest loss in Durables was found in Transportation Equipment, down by 800 over the month, with 500 of this decline in Aircraft and Parts. Citing a sagging economy and slumping military and commercial markets, a number of manufacturers in the aircraft and parts industry laid off empoyees. Electronic and Other Electrical Equipment lost 100 jobs over the month.

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Average Weekly Earnings Increase

For the estimated 654,700 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings decreased by four cents over the month and Average Weekly Hours increased by three-tenths of an hour, causing Average Weekly Earnings to increase by $1.60 from July '92. This was $13.12 above the August '91 level.

In mid-August a worker, on average, was earning $11.01 per hour for a 42.8-hour work week and making $471.23 in average weekly earnings.

Durable Goods showed a gain of $1.50 in Average Weekly Earnings over the month. The largest increase in Durables was in Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries which was up by $17.38 from July '92. Lumber and Wood Products increased by $11.03; Furniture and Fixtures rose by $9.56; and Electronic and Other Electrical Equipment was up by $7.76. Smaller increases were found in Instruments and Related Products, Fabricated Metal Products, and Industrial Machinery, except Electric. The largest decrease in Durables was seen in Primary Metal Industries, down by $12.68 from one month ago. Transportation Equipment decreased by $9.61 while Stone, Clay and Glass Products fell by $6.76 in Average Weekly Earnings.

Nondurable Goods declined by fifty-seven cents in Average Weekly Earnings over the month. The largest Nondurable increase occurred in Malt Beverages (within Food and Kindred Products) which was up by $29.50. The largest Nondurable decrease was in Textile Mill Products which fell by $6.01 in Average Weekly Earnings from July.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	Aug.'92	Aug.'91
Total Population	17,741,600*	17,379,200*
% UI Covered Unemployment	2.1	1.8
UI Covered Employers	331,637	323,630
Total Claims Actions	688,329	652,853
Total Initial Claims Actions	70,616	70,518
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	617,713	582,335
Total Placements	31,338	32,855
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$170.36	$165.94
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	85,771,656	79,330,175

*Revised.
**Regular State UI benefits.

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